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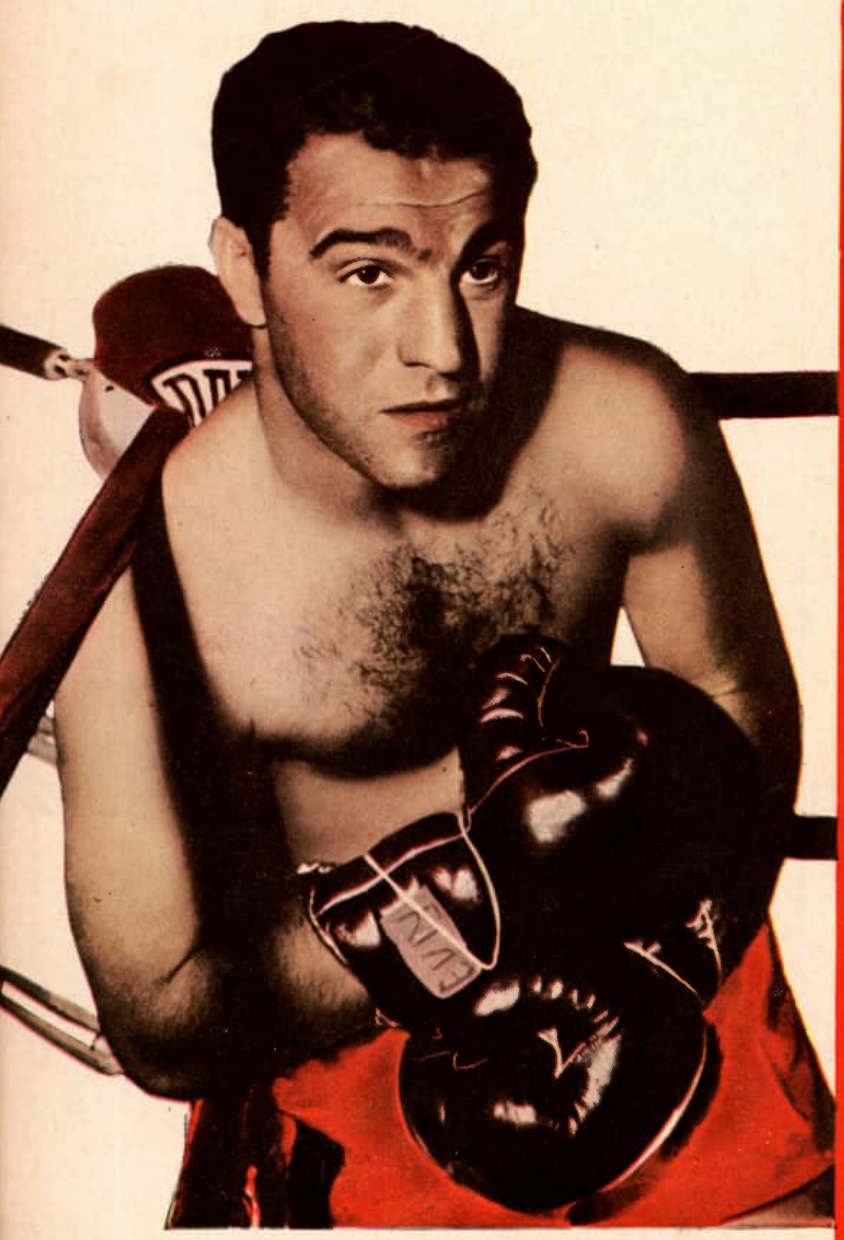

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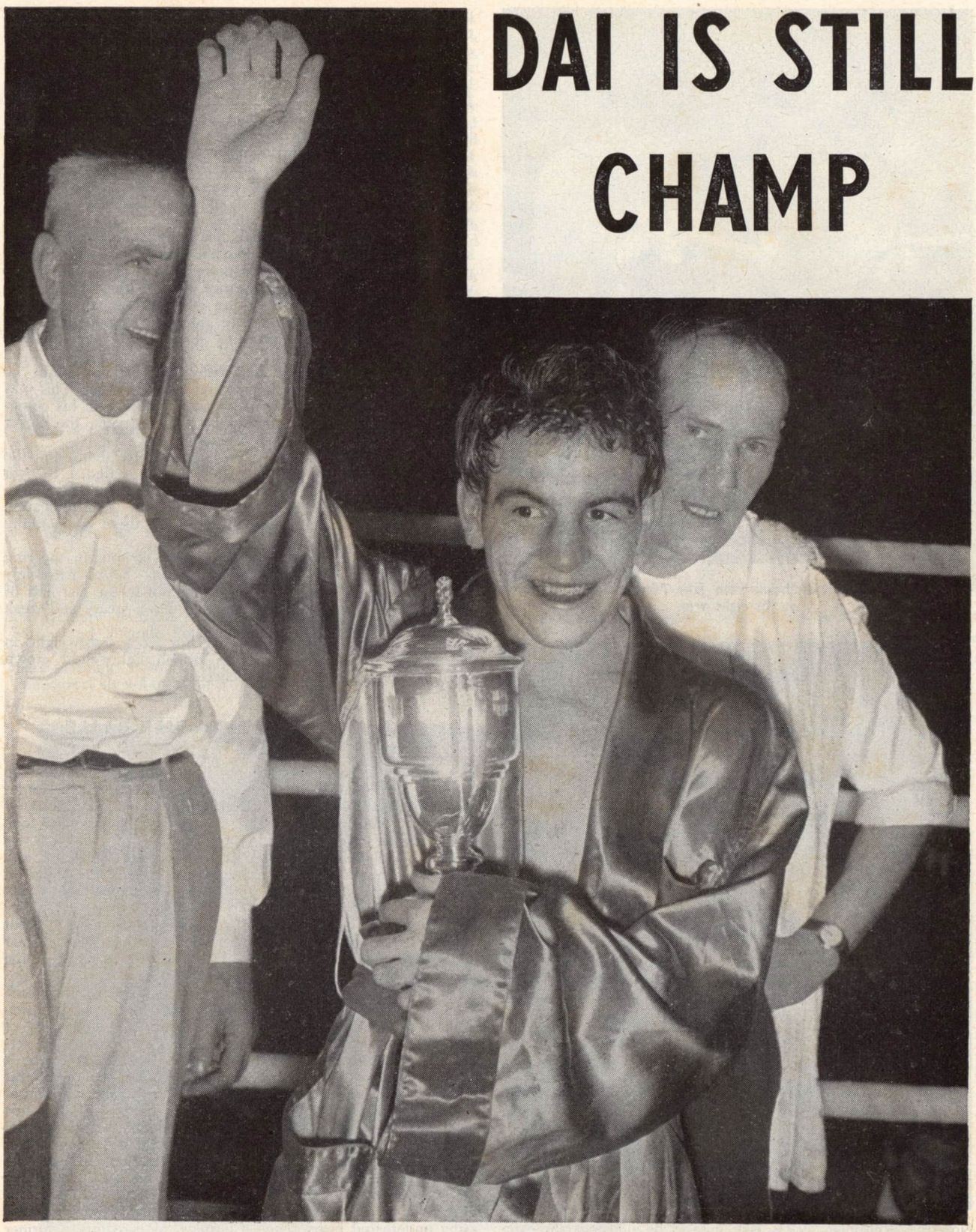


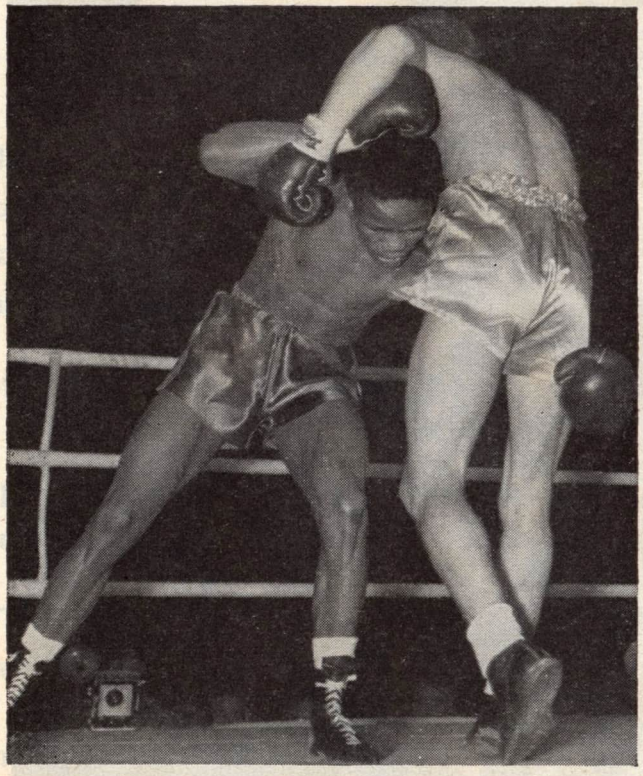
By JAMES BUTLER

Dai Dower made it quite clear when retaining his British Empire flyweight crown over 15 fast rounds against Jake Tuli, of South Africa, that he is a natural eight stone performer. His speed and strength throughout surely answered those of his critics who insisted he was "killing" himself to beat the scales.

Indeed, it was the gallant Zulu who showed first signs of tiring, and the longer the bout went the faster Dower boxed. After ten rounds the South African was so weary that had Dai possessed a more solid punch he must have won by a knockout.

Dower, who had fought the last five rounds with a badly blistered right foot, claimed he would have hit more often with his right fist but for this handicap. The Welshman, delighted at his come-back following the battering he took when he lost his European crown to Young Martin, of Spain,

Dai cleverly blocks a left hook from Jake Tuli catching the punch on his right arm.



Now the Welshman makes Jake miss as he sidesteps the little Zulu's rush. Tuli grabs Dower to save himself from falling.

at Nottingham in October, is anxious to have a return with the tough Spaniard.

However, I would advise Dai to tread softly. His victory over Tuli was first-class, but Martin is quite a different proposition. Tuli, who has taken severe punishment from Robert Cohen and Peter Keenan, was only a shadow of the fierce, hard-hitting little fighter who invaded these shores over three years ago to become the first Zulu ever to win a British Empire title.

When Jake put Dower on the floor with a perfect punch to the pit of the stomach in the fourth round it looked as though Dai might be booked for a similar battering as handed out by Martin, but Tuli was not sharp enough to follow up, and Dower was allowed to recover. The Spaniard wouldn't have given him such a chance, and I am not confident that Dai will be able to keep Martin away if they meet again.

Dower boxed far better than he did against Martin, and looked fitter, but his big weakness is the lack of a knockout punch in his right. Martin, a fierce body-puncher with an awkward southpaw style, may have brushed aside those straight lefts of Dower's and waded in with powerful hooks to the body which brought about the Welshman's downfall at Nottingham.

Dower's manager, Nat Sellar, has hopes that Dai may take a bout later this year with Pascual Perez, the world champion, but I would like to see more of Dower first to judge whether he would have a chance against this strong two-handed fighter. It is one thing sticking out an excellent straight left against a moderate punching opponent, but a good right hand is required to slow down punchers like Martin or Perez.

Unlike Dower, Sammy McCarthy has had to admit he cannot make 9 stone any longer and remain strong. This was proved when Sammy, after making great strides in his come-back campaign, was outpointed by Jean Sneyers, the clever ex-European champion from Belgium.

This match was made by Stan Baker at Streatham, and the agreed weight was 9 st 3 lbs, but Sammy scaled 1 lb over at the weigh-in, and rather than sweat off the extra 1 lb agreed to pay the £75 forfeit which was a clear indication that he and his trainer were of the opinion there was nothing left to come off.

If this wasn't clear, it was made more obvious in the ring against Sneyers. For five rounds Sammy boxed extremely well and gave as good as he received, but in the last half of the fight he began to tire rapidly, and was a weary and weak boxer in the last round.

Wisely, Sammy has decided to box as a lightweight in future and his goal is now the British lightweight crown worn by Frank Johnson, of Manchester.

A PUNCH OUT OF THE BLUE

It is tough luck on Sammy. I strongly fancied him to regain the British featherweight title he lost to Billy Spider Kelly in Ireland, particularly following the surprise knockout defeat of Kelly by Hogan 'Kid' Bassey, of Nigeria, who took the Irishman's Empire title.

Kelly had been regarded as one of our cleverest and toughest champions, and it had never crossed the mind of any expert of the fight game that Bassey might put the Spider down and out.

Although Kelly had never previously suffered knockout defeat, he certainly was put out in a big way by the 23 year old Nigerian who, out of the blue, produced a right to the Irishman's jaw in the eighth round.

Kelly's eclipse cost him the Empire 9 stone crown which he had won when he received a narrow decision against Roy Ankrah in Belfast. It completed a period in which most of our outstanding champions and hopes took unexpected set-backs. In September it all began when Don Cockell took a three round battering from Nino Valdes, of Cuba. After this Dower, who had won the Empire, the British and the European flyweight titles in less than six months, and had remained undefeated in more than twenty bouts, was battered in twelve rounds by Martin. Following the first defeat of Dower we had an unexpected set-back when Ron Barton, the promising cruiserweight from West Ham, was outpointed over ten rounds by the Italian Alessandro d'Ottavio, to lose his first bout as a professional. Within a few days another promising undefeated boxer, Dave Charnley, of Dartford, a former A.B.A. featherweight champion, met his first professional defeat when he was clearly outpointed by Guy Gracia, the experienced French champion.

One of the finest ever ring come-backs is the regaining of the world middleweight title by Sugar Ray Robinson. The 35 year old Negro middleweight staggered Chicago fans when he knocked out the champion, Carl 'Bobo' Olson, in two rounds to regain the 11 st 6 lbs title for the second time.

Robinson first lost his crown to Randy Turpin in London in July, 1951, but regained it 64 days later in New York when he stopped Turpin in 10 rounds. After failing to lift the world-heavyweight title from Joey Maxim, Robinson

announced his retirement as undefeated middles champion. The temptation was too great, however, and he began a come-back campaign, but after an early set-back most fans thought Sugar would quickly fade from the scene.

That was not the case. He showed himself to be a remarkable boxer, and beat all the middleweights to earn the match with Olson. 'Bobo' was a pretty tough middleweight at one time, but Robinson had beaten him twice before, and he had also twice lost to Dave Sands, the late Australian.

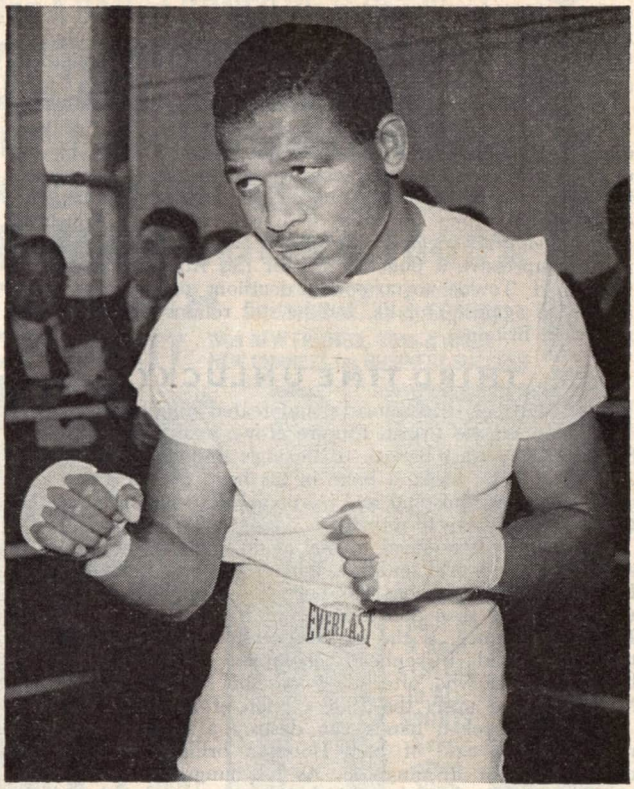
Perhaps Olson's third round knockout defeat at the hands of Archie Moore last June softened him up for Robinson, but whatever it was, Robinson's feat was a remarkable one even though it is a sad reflection on modern boxing when a 35 year old ex-champion can come out of retirement and regain his title.

What a chance Randolph Turpin missed! Had the former British and world middleweight champion retained his form and fitness of July, 1951 he would have been the unchallenged world champion to this day.

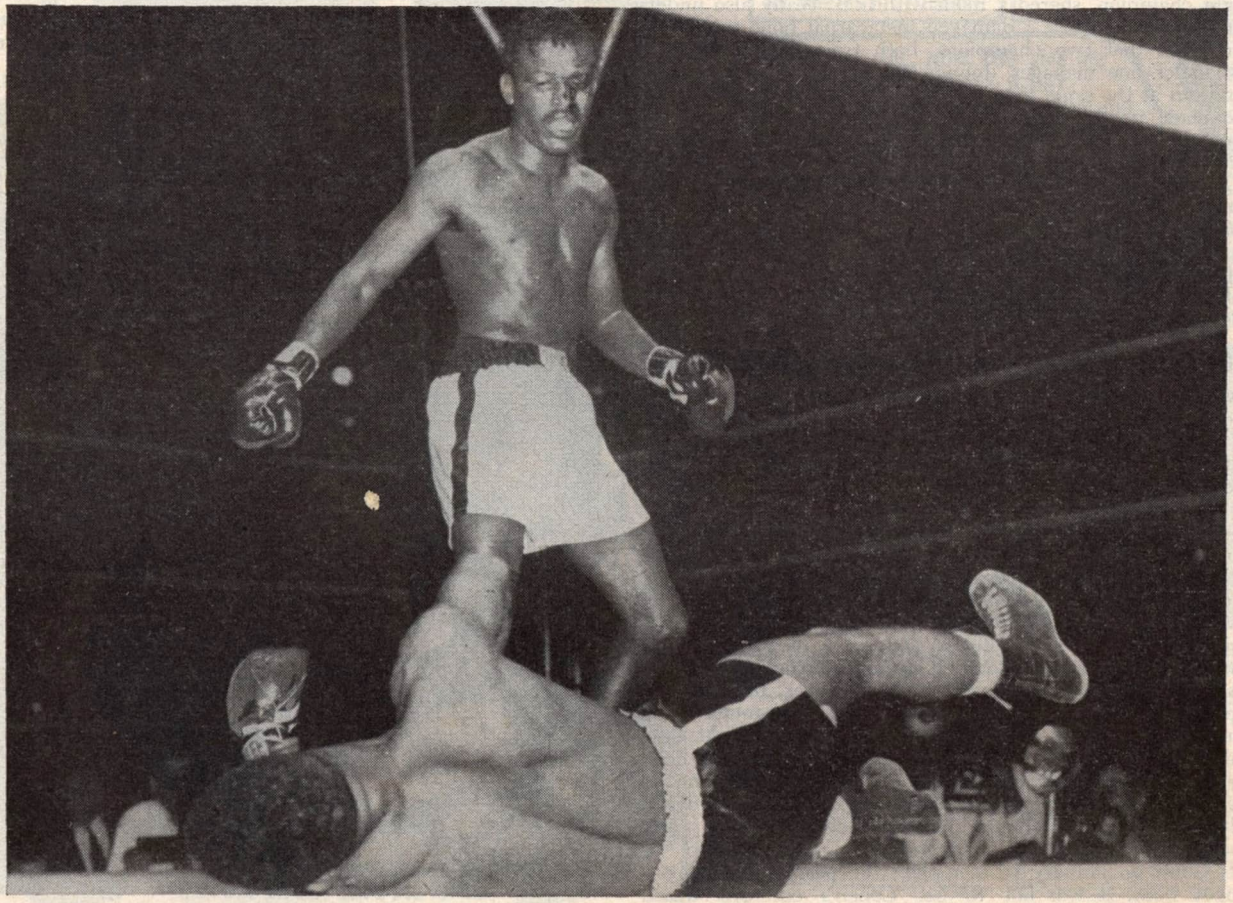
How often it works out that a contest that looks a "natural" on paper turns out to be a flop. Usually, it is because the fight in question is between two opponents of similar style or either because the public and the Press expect too much.

Such a contest was that between Yvon Durelle, the tough Canadian light-heavyweight who had given Ron Barton such a scare at the Albert Hall last year, and Artie Towne, the knockout specialist from America. When Nottingham promoter, Reg King, matched this pair of 'killers' at the local ice rink, the fans imagined they were going to see a brawl not suitable for those whose hearts were suspect. Instead, the bout turned out to be a boring, spoiling match ending with the disappointing disqualification of Durelle for an alleged rabbit punch towards the end of the seventh round.

Those who had seen Towne knockout Willie Armstrong and Johnny Sullivan, and Durelle throwing punches with Barton and Yolande Pompey were certain they were booked for fireworks, but so dreary was the bout that it contained more warnings from the referee than thrills from the fighters. The crowd slow-handclapped and jeered, and one fed-up fan



Sugar Ray Robinson made boxing history by regaining the world middleweight title twice. Early in December he shocked the boxing world by knocking out Bobo Olson in two rounds at Chicago.



Here Sugar Ray is seen regaining his title the first time when he stopped Randy Turpin in ten rounds in New York after Turpin had held the crown for 64 days. This bout took place in September, 1951.

threw a penny into the ring. When the referee finally disqualified Durelle for a light punch which he landed on the back of Towne's neck, the fans booed and hooted for some minutes.

Durelle, a wild fighter, must consider England to be his unhappy hunting ground. In three fights here he has been disqualified twice, and knocked out once. Towne, on the other hand, considers this country as his lucky spot for fighting. He had dropped out of the limelight in his own country, but when he came here and flattened Armstrong and Sullivan, he became a box-office name overnight. He was not so impressive a puncher against Les Allen, of Bedworth, who held Towne to a points decision, and he also disappointed against Durelle, but he still retains his undefeated record in Britain.

THIRD TIME UNLUCKY

Pat McAteer, Birkenhead's undefeated middleweight, who retained the British Empire crown against Mike Holt in South Africa, must be one of boxing's unluckiest champions. Against Holt he broke a bone in his hand for the third time and went into a hospital at Liverpool for an operation so that he should not have to retire.

McAteer is determined to box again, and has ambitions of a crack at the world middleweight crown now held by Sugar Robinson. Jack Solomons has hopes of making such a match this year, but first McAteer would have to beat Charles Humez of France. If the hand is really strong I would give the undefeated Birkenhead champion a good chance of beating Humez who, after all, is past his best, and a 100% fit McAteer could upset the 1956 edition of Robinson.

However, broken hands can destroy a boxer's punch. I remember the case of Jack Hood, a brilliant welterweight champion from Birmingham. As a youngster Hood was a terrific puncher, but then his hands went, and although he remained one of our best welterweights and took part in three classical bouts with Len Harvey for the middleweight championship, he was never able to punch the same again. I hope this does not happen in McAteer's case.

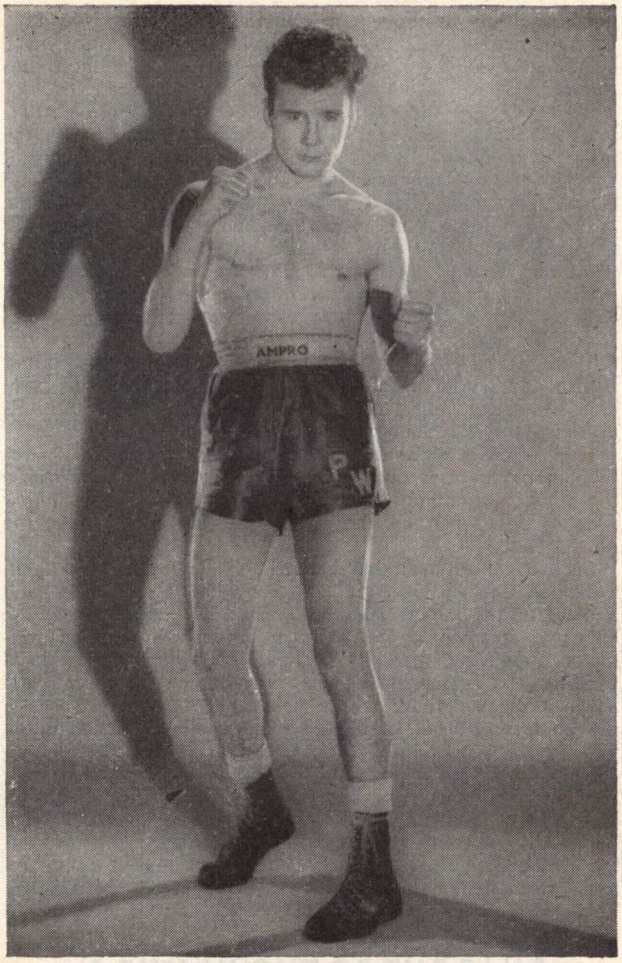
Pat was in good company in hospital. His old pal and stable-mate, Wally Thom, the British and Empire welterweight champion, shared a room with him. Wally also underwent an operation for a damaged metacarpal bone in his left hand. Odd that two champions, both from Birkenhead and both under one manager, Johnny Campbell, should undergo operations at the same time and both on their left hands. Both have made good progress. Thom, in fact, was so optimistic about the succes of the operation that way back in early December he had agreed to sign for Jack Solomons to defend his British and Empire 10 st 7lbs titles against Peter Waterman, the undefeated Clapham welterweight, at Harringay on February 7. Solomons was delighted because he was able to present the contracts to Waterman on Peter's twenty-first birthday on December 10. A nice birthday present for the intelligent Clapham fighter. But Thom has had to ask for a postponement.

WILL JACK HAVE SECOND THOUGHTS?

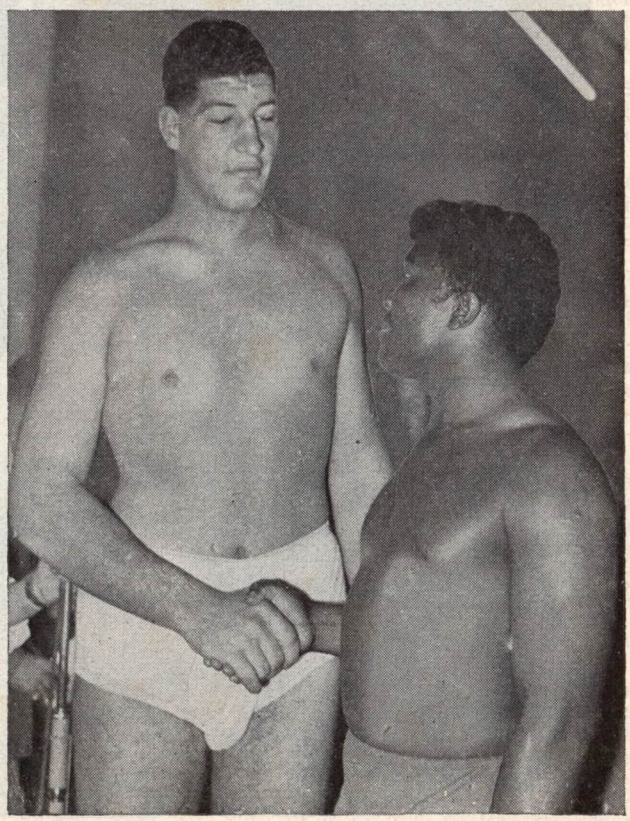
I wonder if Jack Solomons is still serious about his talk of retiring. He announced that he was fed-up with promoting following the disappointing news that Archie Moore had injured an ankle and was not fit to go through with the defence of his world light-heavyweight title against Yolande Pompey at Earl's Court on January 10.

Solomons seemed gloomy when declaring his luck had been out for over three years, and that since the increase in the entertainment tax he had droppel £50,000. However, he didn't react like a man about to quit the sport he loves so well when he enthusiastically signed up the Thom—Waterman championship and followed this up with announcing a new date for the Moore—Pompey slam at Harringay in March.

A set-back to Solomons' ambitions, however, followed the surprising defeat of Robert Cohen, world bantamweight champion, by Cherif Hamia, the French featherweight title-holder, in Paris followed next day by the beating of Peter Keenan, our bantam title-holder, by Emile Chemama at Marseilles. Solomons had witnessed the Cohen defeat with the hope he could have matched Keenan with Cohen for the world bantamweight championship at Earls Court on January 10 to replace the postponed Moore—Pompey bout. It was not to be. Cohen's cut eye which brought about his defeat in the tenth round put him out of action for that date, and Keenan's losing bout put him out of the running anyway.



Peter Waterman, the 21 year old undefeated Clapham welterweight is due this month to bid for the British and Empire titles when he tackles the champion, Wally Thom, at Harringay.



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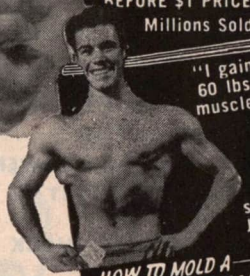

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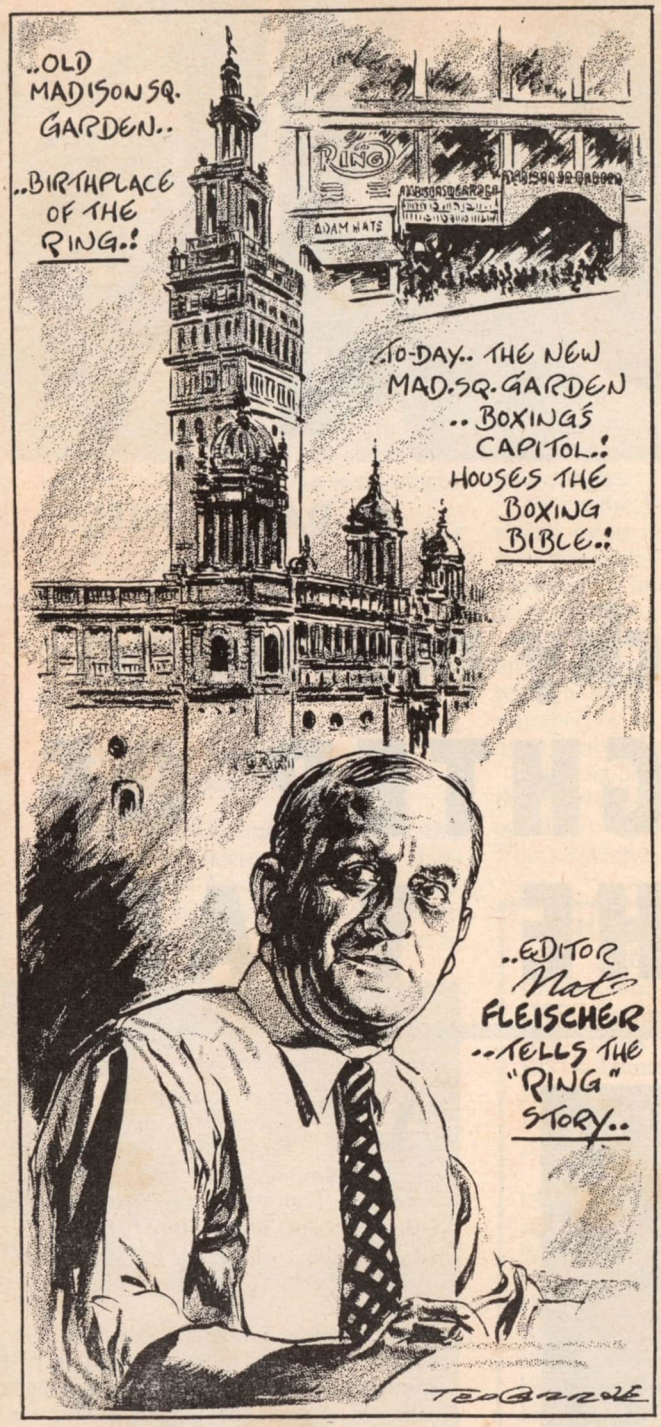

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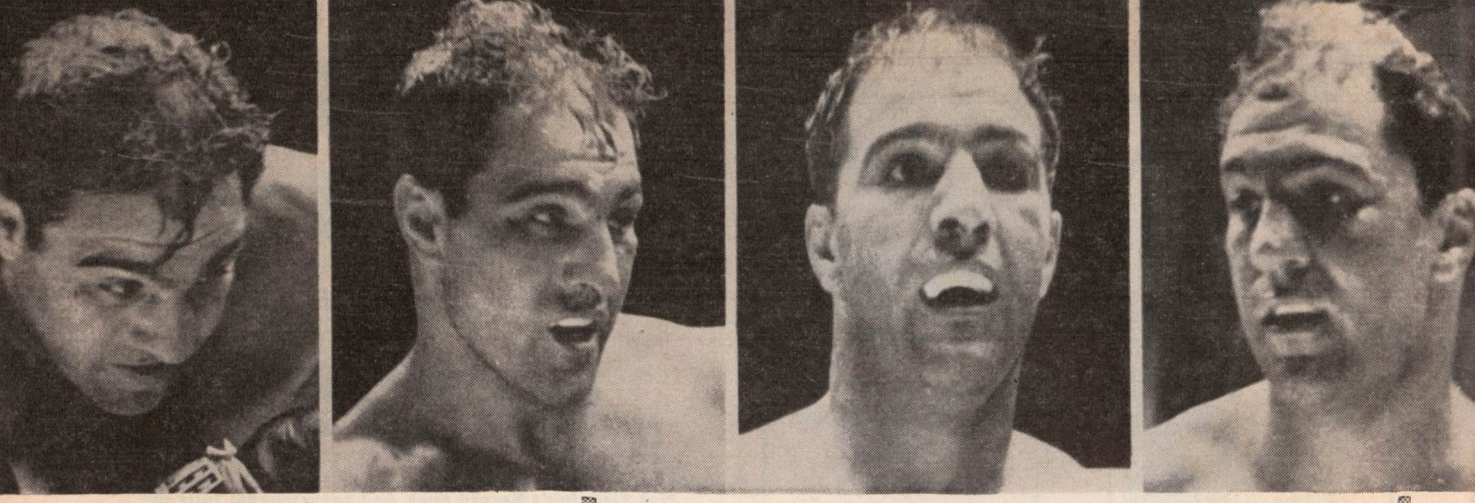
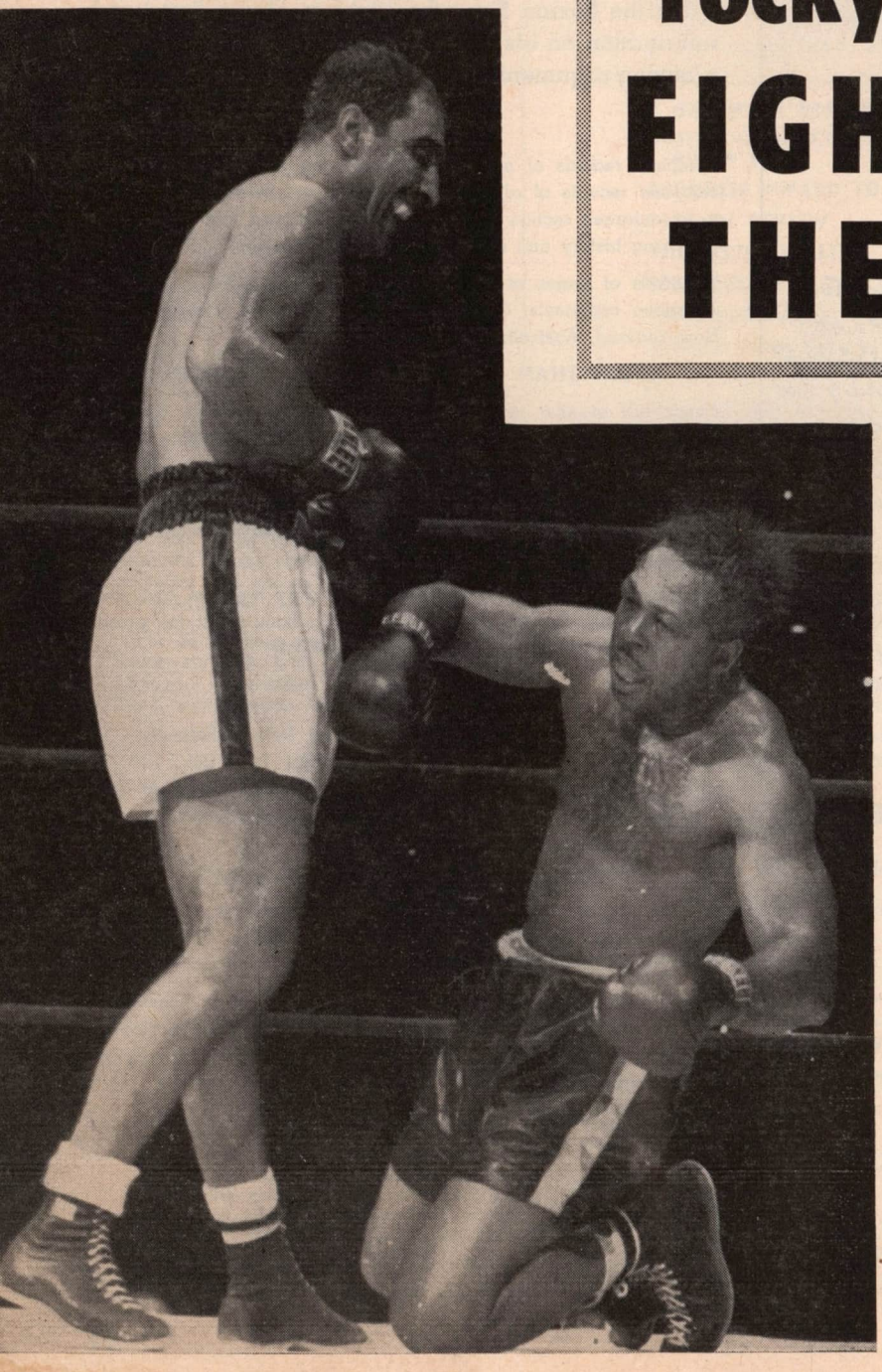


(Above) Rocky Marciano, Fighter of the Year for the third time, is seen in a series of graphic expressions during the Million Dollar fight with Archie Moore. (Below) The champ, dropped by Archie Moore, came back to administer a severe shellacking to the outstanding challenger.



By DAN DANIEL

rocky marciano FIGHTER OF THE YEAR

AFTER Ray Robinson had knocked out Bobo Olson in the second round and made himself middleweight champion, at age 35, for the third time, the Fighter of the Year Selection Committee of The Ring Magazine considered, long and seriously, Sugar Ray's recommendation for the big annual award.

In capping his comeback campaign with one of the most spectacular title triumphs in ring history, Robinson achieved at least the biggest boxing surprise of 1955.

However, after weighing the matter for several days, the Selection Committee decided to name Rocky Marciano The Ring Magazine's Fighter of the Year for 1955, the third time in four years the citation had been awarded to the heavyweight champion of the world.

The claims of Robinson were powerful. But the heavyweight king's right to the award was clear and emphatic, in and out of the ring.

Robinson was placed a close second. On a purely technical basis, he presented little more than the knockout over the much deteriorated Olson against Marciano's knockout triumphs over Archie Moore and Don Cockell.

One point behind Robinson in the Fighter of the Year competition came

Carmen Basilio, welterweight champion, who during the year achieved two 12 round knockout victories over Tony De Marco, the second on November 30.

Fourth position has been awarded to Archie Moore, light heavyweight champion, who, during the year, knocked out Bobo Olson in three rounds, and gave Marciano a noble fight until Moore was stopped in the ninth.

Fifth place behind Rocky has been voted to Floyd Patterson, a boxer who holds no title, but who appears to be on his way to light heavyweight laurels and, perhaps, ultimately to the heavyweight crown.

The No. 6 man in the Fighter of the Year competition is Wallace Bud Smith, lightweight champion, who on June 29 took the title from Jimmy Carter in 15 rounds in Boston, and on October 19, retained it against Carter in a limit fight in Cincinnati.

GREAT ARRAY PLAYS UP BOXING CLASS

The Ring Magazine is proud of this array of fistic talent at the top of its Fighter of the Year competition, especially proud because of the so often repeated charge that boxing has gone to the demnition bow-wows, and high grade exemplars no longer exist.

Marciano, Robinson, Basilio, Moore, Patterson and Smith compare most favorably with the ranking men in the Fighter of the Year contests of the past. The Ring Magazine presents them to its readers, to fistic aficionados of the world, without apologies, and with confidence and a keen sense of glory.

Let it be stressed that the Fighter of the Year competition is not a popularity affair. Nor is the rating dictated by anything beyond eminent fitness, and an outright appreciation of eligibility from many angles.

To be the Fighter of the Year, or a runner up in the five other positions, a man must present something more than a title, a lot more than a ring record of formidable proportions.

The contender must be not only top flight as a technician, but he must present an out-of-the-ring reputation unsmirched by tarnished social conduct or questionable fistic operations.

The eligible must be an example to the growing boy, who may include among his heroes the men of the ring. The contender must have fine public they have been adhered to more rigidly relations and reflect credit on the professional arena.

These requirements were set up in 1928, with the award to Tunney, and than ever since boxing telecasts began to enter the home.

Now that the fighters are seen on the television screen by mom and the kids, as well as dad, it would be an insult for The Ring Magazine to name any boxer whose personal conduct would be open to suspicion. The public acceptance of all candidates must be 100 percent, with no possible margin for doubt.

In Marciano, who got the Fighter of the Year award for the first time in 1952, lost out to Olson in 1953, and recovered it in 1954, The Ring Magazine presents a great champion.

As a man of clever manoeuvres in the ring, Rocky does not rate as a Jim Corbett. But as a power hitter, a remarkable physical specimen, as a hard working, honest, successful operator, with a perfect family life and a personal record that is an open book for all to admire, Marciano reflects tremendous credit on the prize which again has gone to him.

Carmen Basilio, like Marciano, has a matchless record for public relations, sportsmanship and his fine influence on the youth of America.

"THE RING'S" FIGHTER OF THE YEAR

1928—Gene Tunney
1929—Tommy Loughran
1930—Max Schmeling
1931—Tommy Loughran
1932—Jack Sharkey
1933—No Award
1934—Barney Ross and Tony Canzoneri
1935—Barney Ross
1936—Joe Louis
1937—Henry Armstrong
1938—Joe Louis
1939—Joe Louis
1940—Billy Conn
1941—Joe Louis
1942—Ray Robinson
1943—Fred Apostoli
1944—Beau Jack
1945—Willie Pep
1946—Tony Zale
1947—Gus Lesnevich
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1951—Ray Robinson
1952—Rocky Marciano
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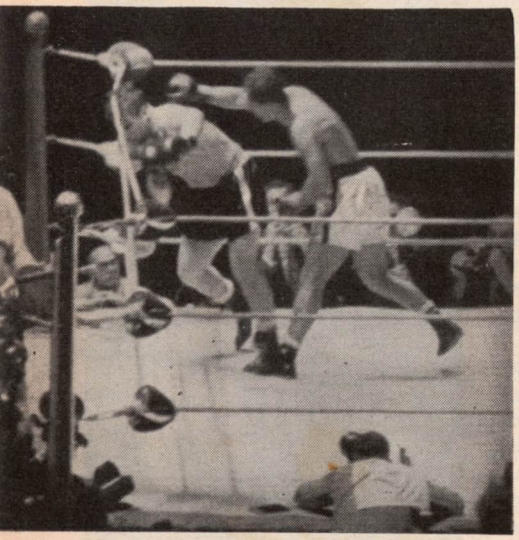
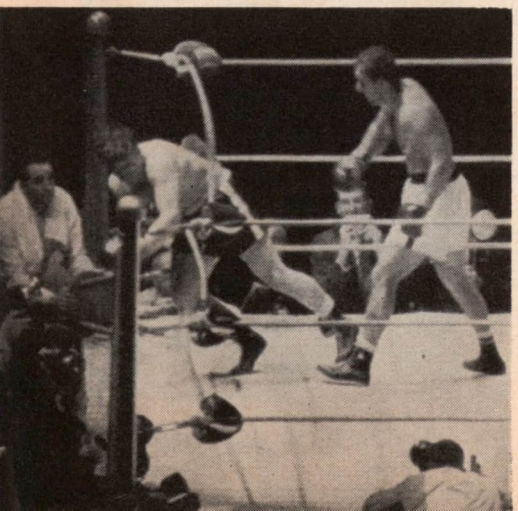
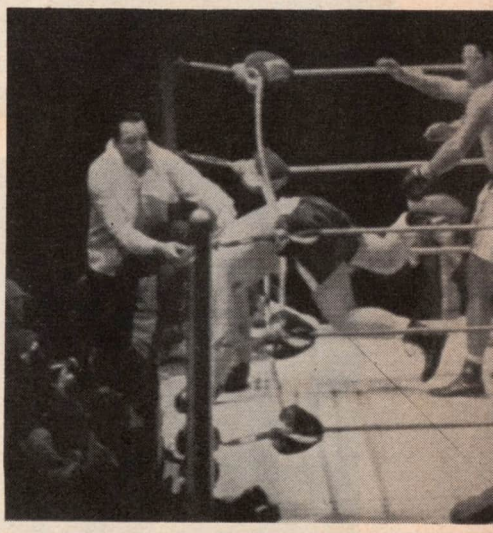
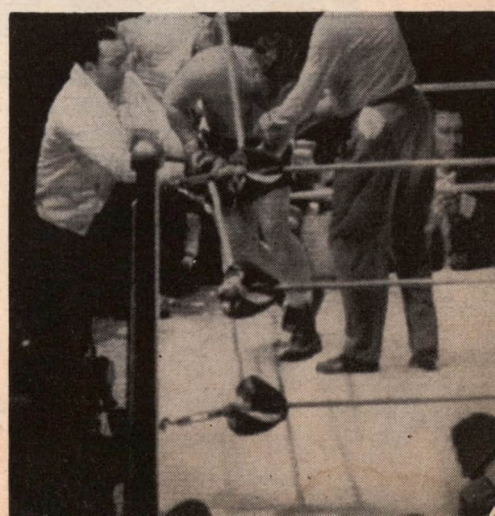
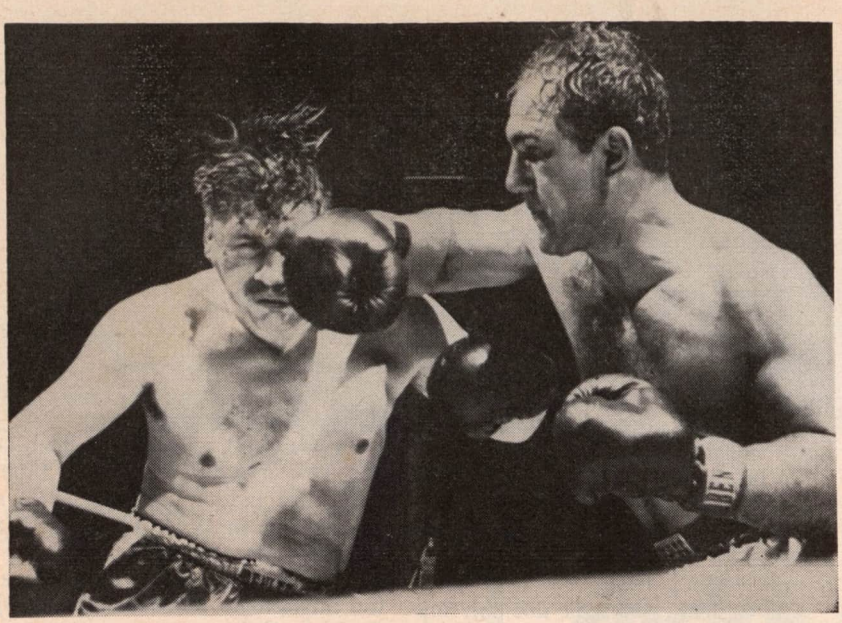




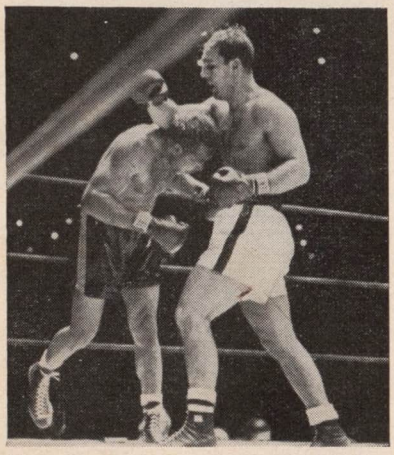




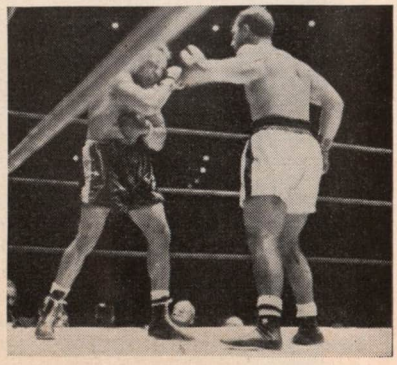
The dynamite in Rocky Marciano's punch is shown in this series (left, top to bottom; right, top to bottom) as with an overhand right he pounds challenger Don Cockell into the ropes during their title fight. Cockell falls through the middle strand, is helped by one of his handlers and the referee, and then lasted two more rounds.



Don Cockell (left) put on a gallant stand in San Francisco but was continuously hammered by Rocky Marciano and the bout was finally stopped in the ninth round.



Rocky Marciano brought his championship fight with Archie Moore to a dramatic end (counter clockwise) as he downed him with a right and left. The bout was all over in 1:19 of the ninth round.



BEATING RAY, CARMEN BIG TRIUMPH FOR ROCKY

The importance and dramatic quality of Marciano's Fighter of the Year triumph are heightened by the fact that he was able to get the award over Robinson and Basilio.

In the councils of The Ring Magazine staff, and in its consultations with the periodical's representatives all over the world, there was powerful support for Basilio.

Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of the magazine, acting as moderator, forced the backers of Marciano to prove, beyond all doubt, that Rocky and not Robinson, Basilio, or the other three contenders, merited the award.

Fleischer was careful to point out that the fact that a boxer already had received the citation was not to figure in considering him for the 1955 award.

Fleischer pointed out that Joe Louis had received the prize no fewer than four times, in 1936, 1938, 1939 and 1941. He stressed, too, the two awards to Ray Robinson in such widely separated years as 1942 and 1951, the two for Tommy Loughran, and Ezzard Charles, and two for Barney Ross.

It cannot be denied that, as heavyweight champion of the world, Marciano enjoyed an edge, through that fact alone, over the rest of the field. Everything else standing to the credit of the contenders being equal, the heavyweight king, if he be among them, undoubtedly has an inherent advantage.

There is no getting away from the fact that, as the heavyweights go, so goes boxing the world over.

AWARD MADE STRICTLY ON EVIDENCE FOR 1955

There is no blinking the fact that a heavyweight champion who is willing to defend his laurels, and who does so with power and conviction, exercises a tremendous influence on world boxing. Ergo, an edge for Marciano.

At this point let it be emphasized, as strongly as possible, that the Fighter of the Year award is made solely on the basis of things accomplished in the past year, and offered strictly for that year.

In marshalling the claims of the five

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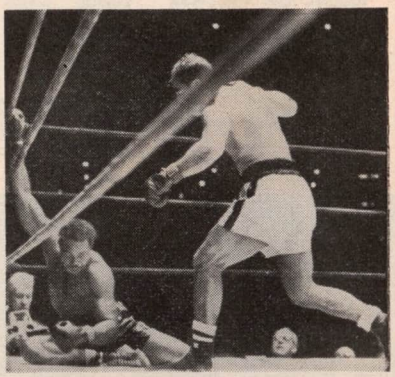

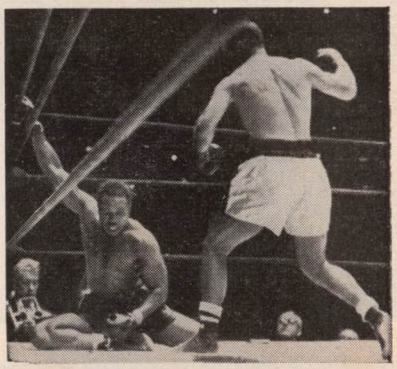

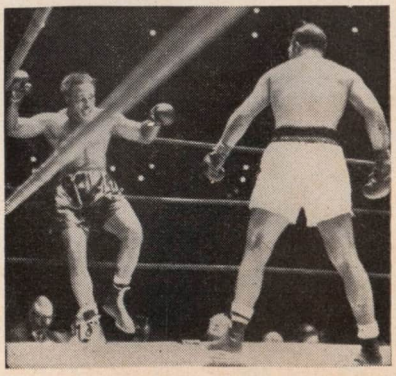

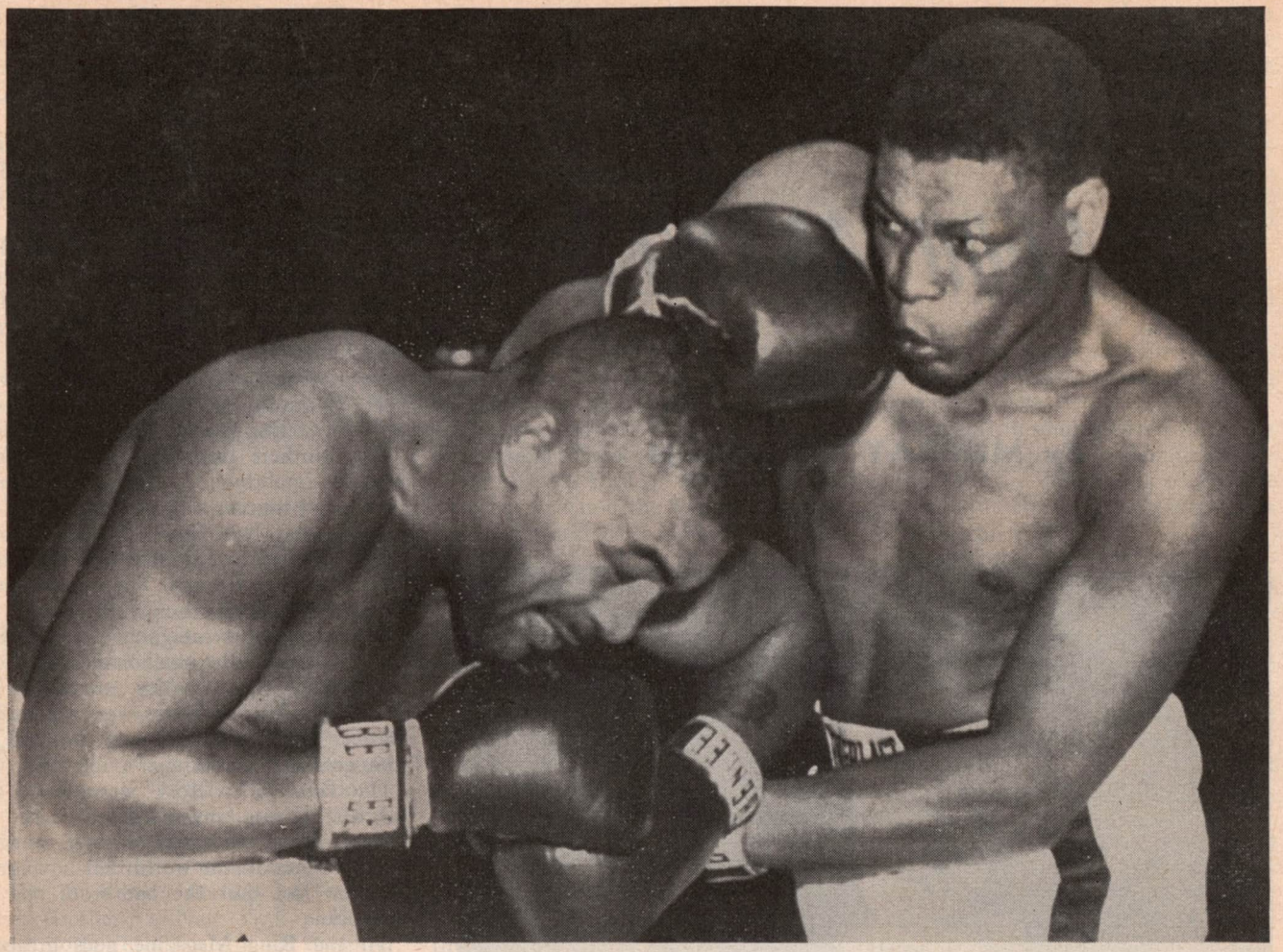

Bob Baker (left) and Nino Valdes, second and third leading contenders for the heavyweight title held by Rocky Marciano, practically eliminated themselves from title consideration with a dull and cautious ten rounder recently in Cleveland. Baker gained the decision but little else.

Baker-Valdes—A DUD

By JOE SMITH

HAD it been billed as just another heavyweight bout, Bob Baker and Nino Valdes might have turned in a real battle in Cleveland. But the mistake was in advertising the winner as Rocky Marciano's next opponent in a world championship bout. That must have scared off both rivals. Neither apparently wanted to be Marciano's next victim. So, instead of fighting to win, Bob and Nino acted as though they were doing their utmost to lose and get eliminated. Valdes was the more successful. He managed to lose. But Baker, in winning, also did a good job of eliminating himself as a prospective Marciano opponent. It was a dull, uninspired, drab, no-account affair which bored the 8,380 onlookers to distraction and evoked catcalls and other derisive noises.

The dreary affair vindicated Marciano and Jim Norris, both of whom had said that Archie Moore, despite his knockout by Marciano last September, stood out well beyond any other contender for the 1956 engagement with the champion.

As a consequence, it may be regarded as virtually certain that Moore will get his return bout with Marciano.

It is my impression that Marciano could beat Moore any time they get together. But the ring has had its startling surprises in the past, and Archie may have one hidden in his gloves when next he encounters the champion.

Baker's decision over Valdes was his second against the Cuban. Bob had taken Nino at Huntington, West Va. on May 21, 1953.

How, with so rich a prize at stake, Baker and Valdes could have produced so horrible a bout in Cleveland is beyond all conception and calculation.

They didn't punch, they pushed gloves at each other with incredible imperturbability in so far as the Marciano match and the reaction of the crowd were concerned. Two pals in one stable could not have been more unaggressive and more solicitous of each other's welfare.

The fact is that it was a bad match. The Baker and Valdes styles did not dovetail as they should have fitted for a good fight.

In addition, it may have been that Baker and Valdes were too conscious of the importance of their elimination fight,

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A GAL WITH $64,000 ANSWERS

By MURRAY GOODMAN

Dr. Joyce Brothers bones up on fistic facts during meal time with daughter Lisa Robin. The questions were made up from The Ring Record Book and The Heavyweight Championship by Nat Fleischer.

ONE of the biggest boxing stories of the year 1955 with a non-competitive origin was the spectacular success of Dr. Joyce Brothers, psychology specialist, in the $64,000 Question television programme.

On Tuesday, December 6, Dr. Brothers answered the questions which were posed for her by Hal March, and carried off a sum of money which some folks cannot save in a lifetime of hard work.

The final queries were difficult. But, with limited help from Col. Edward Eagan, former chairman of the New York Commission, the Blonde Lady sailed right through for the rich prize.

Dr. Brothers' triumph was of tremendous importance to boxing because a woman—a woman with a cultural background, who had been an instructor at Hunter College in New York—had fought her way through the numerous stages of a quiz of nation-wide interest, with boxing as her category.

The success of the psychology specialist attracted the attention of women all over the United States—yes, women all over the world, because she had been getting international publicity.

Dr. Brothers' victory stressed the fact that boxing was not beneath the interest of an educated woman, and brought home to the world that boxing long ago had quit the bar room and the dock.

To the Ring Magazine goes great credit for Dr. Brothers' success. Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of the Bible of Boxing, gave the doctor considerable coaching. Most important was the information she got from The Ring Record Book. Dr. Brothers did considerable of her studying in the offices of The Ring Magazine.

Behind the $64,000 triumph of the Blonde Lady was an intense interest in boxing. Behind that, a tremendous ability to study. And behind that, a photographic mind. Dr. Brothers could recite, word for word, entire pages which she had mulled over in her many hours of study.

The questions which Dr. Brothers answered in the final stage of the quiz were:

1—What were the gloves of the Roman gladiators in the Coliseum called? She replied, Cestus.

2—Who was the first scientific boxer, champion of heavyweight champion of England in 1791? Daniel Mendoza, was the answer.

3—What was the name of the heavyweight champion of England who taught a famous poet the art of boxing? The answers: Gentleman John Jackson, the fighter; Lord Byron, the poet.

4—Who wrote the famous essay "The Fight" after having seen Bill Neat defeat Tom Hickman for the English heavyweight title in 1821, and what

was Hickman's nickname? Dr. Brothers replied, "William Hazlitt was the essayist, and Hickman was called The Gasman.

5—What was the full name of the Marquis of Queensberry, who set up the Queensberry Rules? Answer, John Sholto Douglas.

6—In 1933, Primo Carnera defended the world's heavyweight title abroad. Who was his opponent, and where did they meet? Answers, Paulino Uzcudun, in Rome.

7—How many times did Jack Dempsey floor Luis Firpo in their famous fight in New York? How long did the fight last, within 30 seconds? She replied, Nine times, and 3 minutes, 57 seconds.

When Dr. Brothers reached the final round, she had the privilege of taking an expert into the sound proof booth with her.

Her first choice was Nat Fleischer. But he declined the responsibility. He recommended that she ask Col. Eagan. He accepted, with the proviso that the Revlon people, sponsors of the $64,000 Question, give the American Olympic Fund, with which Eddie is connected, a donation of $5,000. This was done.

That Col. Eagan helped Dr. Brothers is certain. That she needed very much assistance is doubtful.

Dr. Brothers is the wife of Dr. Milton Brothers, a New York physician, and mother of a two year old daughter. Some of the winnings have gone into a fund for the education of that daughter.

Dr. Brothers' interest in boxing is sincere, deeply rooted. How did she ever become so intensely interested in a sport so far from the concerns of the average women? Doubtless Dr. Brothers, as a psychologist, has the answer to that one, too.

While Dr. Brothers was working for the successive stages of the $64,000 quiz, Fleischer questioned her on the leading matters which he expected her to be quizzed on by March. Fleischer hit the nail on the head quite often.

One query which Fleischer was sure they would throw at her never was posed. He felt that Dr. Brothers would be asked to name the lefthanders who had held world titles, and coached her on the answers. However, the doctor never was asked that one.

"Dr. Brothers has done a tremendous service for boxing, and considering the size of the prize, for herself and her family, as well," Fleischer said as he hailed the Blonde Lady's remarkable success.

"Her ability to retain answers, her astonishing memory, her capacity for study, amazed me," Fleischer continued.

"Once coached on a question, she never forgot the answer. Once she had read a page of a book, she could recite the contents almost verbatim.

"Only seldom do we have a woman with such skills, and it is conceivable that she would have won no matter in which category she had operated.

"I saw Dr. Brothers at the Robinson-Olson affair in Chicago, and it did my heart good to see so many women spectators ask for her autograph. She richly deserved her success, and the eulogies which came to her with it.

"I don't remember when boxing got so big a lift from something that had not happened in a ring."

It is to be hoped that Dr. Brothers will not be pressed too hard for boxing publicity purposes.

The effort in some quarters to set her up as a fight prophet should not be pursued too far. She knows a lot about boxing. But she is not an expert on punches and techniques.

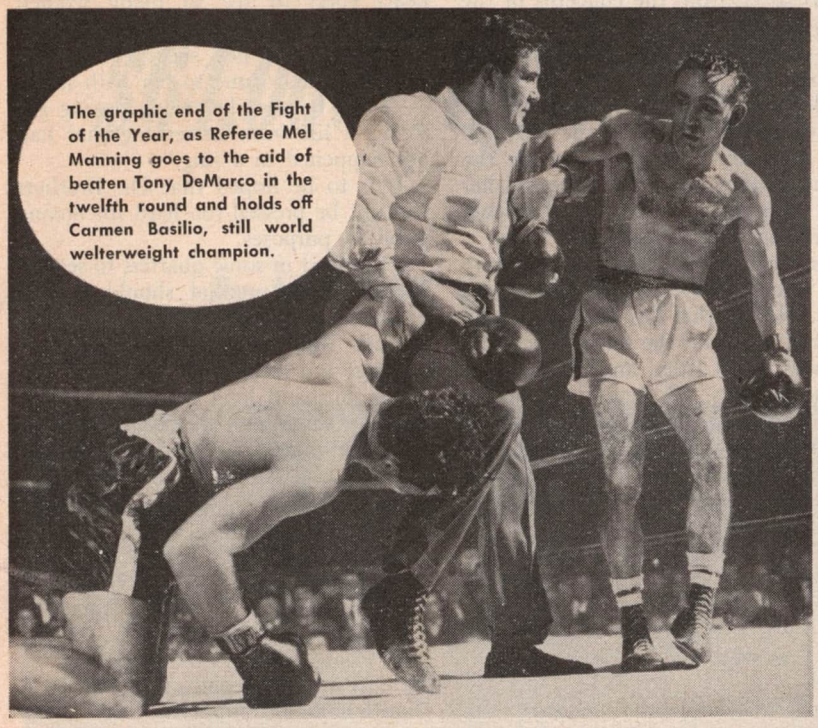
Her husband long has been a fight-goer and doubtless it was his interest which prompted Joyce to become concerned about boxing, and, eventually, to make that startling choice of category in the quiz.

When she told the operators of the Revlon quiz that she wanted to answer questions on boxing, their first reaction was disbelief, their second, great excitement.

Dr. Brothers has given to the $64,000 Question more publicity than it received from the $64,000 victory of the food specialist Marine. It was one of the best battles seen on TV.

When "Experts" Meet. Dr. Joyce Brothers, winner of $64,000 on a television program after answering a series of questions on boxing, tangles with Mr. Boxing, Nat Fleischer, Editor and Publisher of The Ring Magazine.

BASILIO-DeMARCO— FIGHT OF THE YEAR



The graphic end of the Fight of the Year, as Referee Mel Manning goes to the aid of beaten Tony DeMarco in the twelfth round and holds off Carmen Basilio, still world welterweight champion.

This sequence shows Carmen Basilio landing with his potent right hand that dropped Tony DeMarco for the second time in the twelfth round and spelled defeat for him.

By NAT LOUBET

AS the year 1955 approached its end, it appeared almost certain that the first meeting of Carmen Basilio, now welterweight champion of the world, and Tony De Marco, at Syracuse, N. Y., on June 10, would rate the Ring Magazine's citation as the Fight of The Year.

However, the second battle between Carmen and Tony, at Boston on November 30, pushed their first contest out of the top location, and became the choice for the 1955 laurel.

Like their first engagement, the second ended in the twelfth round, with the over-eager, pace-ignoring De Marco knocked out.

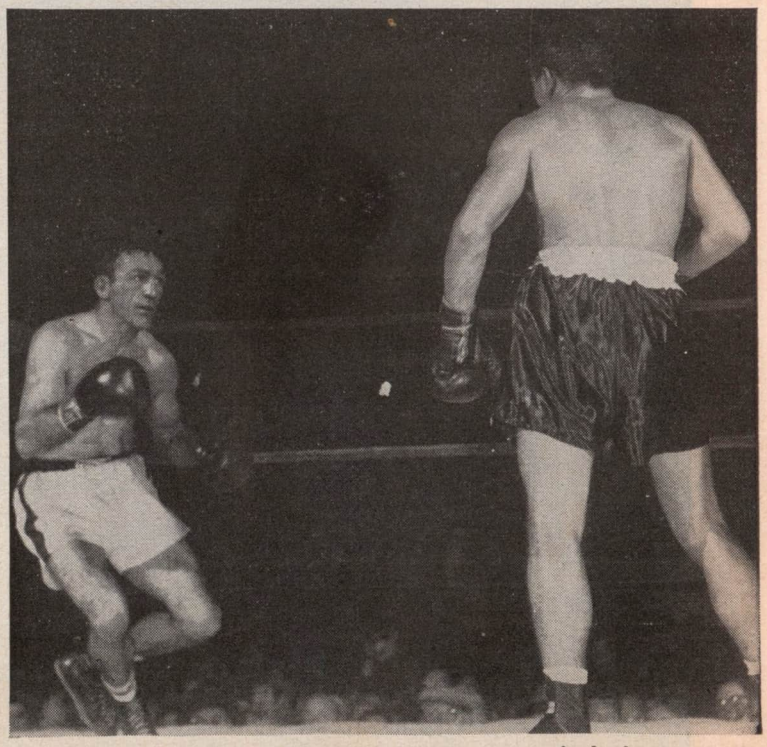
The Boston battle was truly noteworthy because it outdid their first struggle. A re-match after a truly noteworthy fight seldom equals the first scrap in fire and allure. But this was different, much different.

Boston fight enthusiasts, 13,373 of them, who paid $171,800 at the box office, set records for receipts and attendance which were rewarded with one of the most vehement and exciting fights in welterweight championship history.

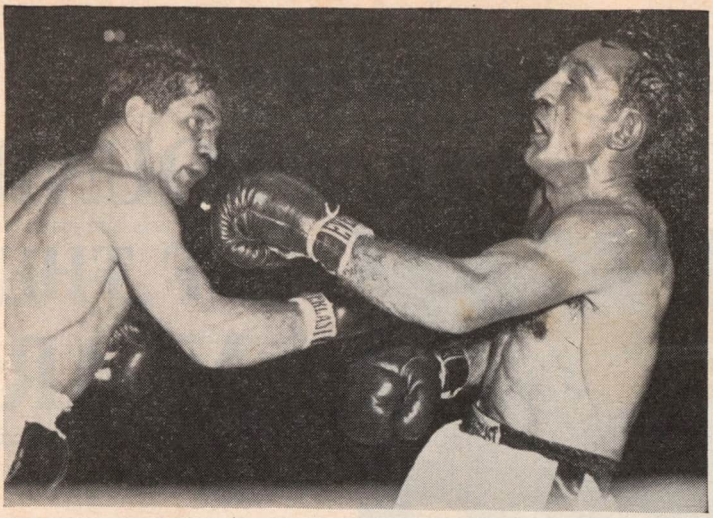
BOTH BATTLERS THROW CAUTION TO WINDS

From the opening bell it was apparent that both DeMarco and Basilio would go all out to prove that the only equality was in their weights, 145½ pounds.

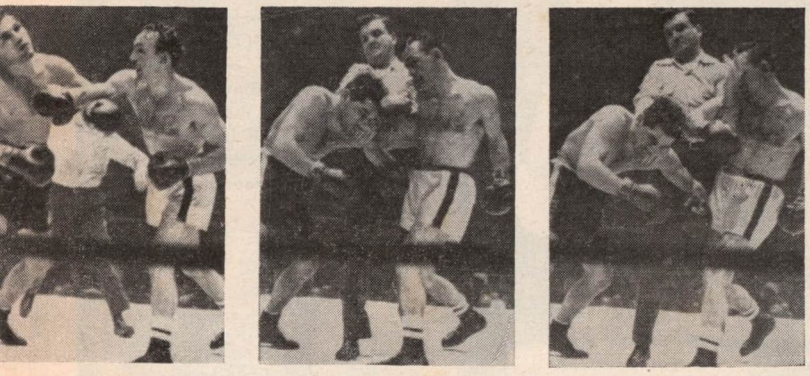
The tough twenty-three year old DeMarco from the North End of Boston pulled out all the stops in an effort to make quick work of the man from Canastota, N. Y., who had deprived him of his crown only five months back.



Carmen Basilio (left) has his knees buckle as he staggers back after being caught with a terrific left hook to the chin in the seventh round. But he weathered the storm, made a remarkable recovery and ended matters several rounds later.



Tony DeMarco (left) who gained the upper hand in the seventh, continued to press his advantage and here is seen scoring with a right in the eighth round that rocked the welterweight champion.



This sequence shows Carmen Basilio landing with his potent right hand that dropped Tony DeMarco for the second time in the twelfth round and spelled defeat for him.

Having taken another battering from Carmen Basilio, as he did in their first bout, Tony DeMarco lies flat on his back and exhausted in his dressing room, his gallant stand having gone for naught, though he gained a host of admirers even in losing.

His twenty-eight year old rival was in no mood to play straight man for DeMarco and went to work inside while Tony pegged those long left hooks to the head that almost proved Basilio's undoing in their first meeting.

At the end of the fourth round the contest was a close one with DeMarco beginning to catch Basilio with shots to the head. The pace was fast and resembled that of their first meeting, in which DeMarco failed to gauge himself and ran out of gas.

Before the fight, DeMarco's adherents were confident that he would not again give too much of himself too early.

Basilio, as in their previous meeting, paced himself wisely. As the fifth round opened it was evident that he was following their June pattern. DeMarco was also fighting the same fight, and as events proved, making the same mistakes.

In the fifth round this was not so apparent. DeMarco had a cut over his left eye. Blood was oozing slowly from his nostrils. But these were minor discomforts compared with what was to come.

BOTH MEN RED HOT AFTER KNOCKOUT VICTORY

Mixing it toe-to-toe, Basilio attempted to get inside, DeMarco, trying to keep him at long range. Both were going all out for a knockout.

Suddenly it happened. A blinding left hook caught Carmen as he was coming in and the Canastota farmer almost lost all his onions. He stopped short, his knees did a convulsive dance.

Tony piled in making one of his big mistakes. Instead of measuring his man, he threw wild punches from all angles like a man swatting after falling into a bee hive and the blows he tossed were just as ineffective.

Basilio refused to go down and made it to the bell. DeMarco had lost him for the first time that night.

As Basilio said after the fight: "After the fifth round, when DeMarco hurt me but didn't have it, I knew that it would just be a question of time before he ran out of gas."

But Basilio had reason to be nervous as the sixth and seventh rounds rolled by and a blood smudged DeMarco came on to pile up a lead.

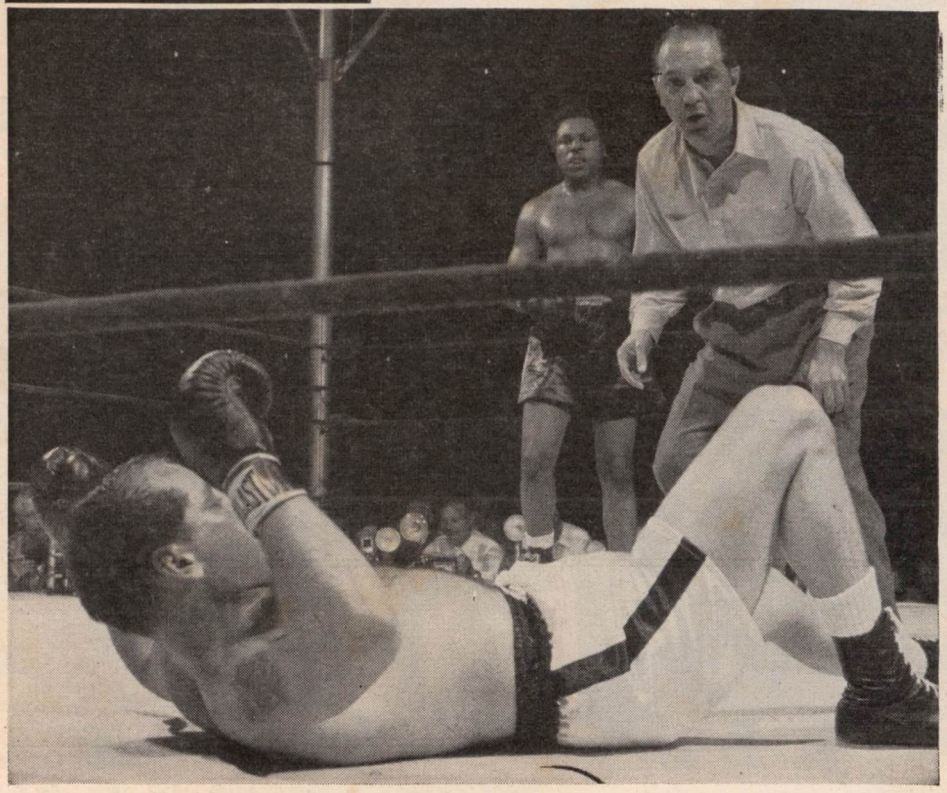
In the seventh, DeMarco, moving at top speed, threw everything at Carmen as the New York Stater worked in close, pounding relentlessly to DeMarco's body. Over-anxious Tony was draining the power out of himself, although he had the better of the going.

A left to the jaw almost dropped Basilio but once again Tony failed to capitalize on the glaze that spread over Basilio's eyes.

The champ forced himself forward by sheer guts into the flailing path of a punch-mad wild challenger who winged most of his telling blows around Basilio's head instead of on his chin.

Marciano-Moore 9th, Robinson-Olson 2nd, Also Rate High as Round Of Year

MOORE–OLSON– ROUND OF THE YEAR



Carl (Bobo) Olson's bid for the light heavyweight title to go with the middleweight crown he then held, met disaster with shocking swiftness in the third round of his bout with Archie Moore, a stiff left hook to the jaw ending matters with dramatic suddenness.

DE MARCO STILL NOT PACING HIMSELF

DeMarco continued to ignore the wise path in the eighth round. His comparative lack of experience was hounding him.

Tony went at a Basilio, who still was on queer street, like a squirrel at a pile of nuts. He scrambled in and shot punches not only at the champ but even at his shadow.

It rained leather, and to Basilio it was like a rocket ship dodging meteors. But his luck held and he lasted out the inaccurate and irratic attack.

From the ninth on, the die was cast and it was obvious to all that DeMarco was no longer punching with the authority of his early rounds. Ahead in the scoring, he still looked like a six to five winner if he could stay away long enough to finish the fifteen round contest.

By the eleventh, Carmen had lost a good part of his steam but he had the advantage of being capable to keep punching in a steady stream to the body, to further weaken DeMarco, who was vainly attempting to defend himself, much less go on the offensive.

Tony was exhausted to the point that he aimed his blows like a dart thrower.

In the twelfth Basilio's body punching hastened the downfall of DeMarco.

A series of five right hands put the challenger down. Like an inner tube with a slow leak, he sank to the ground.

In a mass like a blanket tossed carelessly to the ground, he lay sprawled. A hush hung over the Garden as he barely made it to his feet at the eight count. Basilio carefully measured him for a left hook and a right to the head as referee Mel Manning jumped in to stop the fight.

He was too late. Basilio had been too quick. As the referee spread his hands to indicate the end of the bout, DeMarco slid to the floor of the ring like a loosely hung tackling dummy that has been released from its support. The end had come only two seconds slower than in Syracuse. The time was 1154 of round twelve.

DE MARCO ON POINTS WHEN END CAME

Basilio was still the champion as much by virtue of DeMarco's mistakes as by his own ability.

This reporter had the bout scored 6 to 4 in rounds, and 102 to 99 in favor of DeMarco when the end came.

Basilio's left cheek was cut and his nose showed the effects of his hard uphill fight. Both had damaged left hands. Basilio said his was damaged in the second round as did DeMarco.

Whereas Carmen favored his south side DeMarco used it throughout the contest. Both being converted southpaws, the hurt hands were especially disadvantageous to each.

Basilio for the first time finished an opponent with his right hand instead of his vaunted left hook.

This is not the first time that Basilio has been featured in Ring Magazine honors for the year.

In 1953 Basilio shared honors with Kid Gavilan for nomination for the Round of The Year. The boxing world was stunned when Carmen floored Gavilan in the second round of their welterweight championship match at Syracuse. It was that contest that brought Basilio into the spotlight as a strong title contender.

Several other contests besides the two Basilio-DeMarco slugfests received votes in the balloting for Fight of The Year.

The bauble in which Marciano disposed of Archie Moore in the ninth round at the Yankee Stadium was close in the voting.

Moore's knockout of Carl (Bobo) Olson in the third round of their fight for the light heavyweight title at the Polo Grounds also received attention for this honor.

MOORE-OLSON ROUND OF YEAR

And to the last named fight goes the honor of having included The Round of The Year—the third—in which Moore knocked out Olson. This is the second year running that Moore has been a participant in the Round of The Year, and runner up for Fight of The Year. He had many strong supporters in the voting.

In 1954 Moore's kayo of Harold Johnson in the fourteenth received the Round of The Year Oscar and was a runner up for Fight of The Year award.

The meeting between Moore and Olson took place on June 22nd at the Polo Grounds. For two rounds the very capable Olson, touted, perhaps with tongue in cheek, as a possible future opponent for Rocky Marciano, gave a superb accounting for himself. He jabbed, kept close to Moore and then would stick and run before Archie could bring his heavy artillery into play. For two rounds it was all Olson although the second session was close. For two rounds the bubble grew bigger and Olson's chances loomed larger.

Then the bubble burst. Suddenly as a balloon when pricked will collapse, so did the challenger for Moore's light heavyweight title.

They were in close, almost head to head, raking each other with body blows when it happened. Moore had stepped back and as Olson moved in Moore met him

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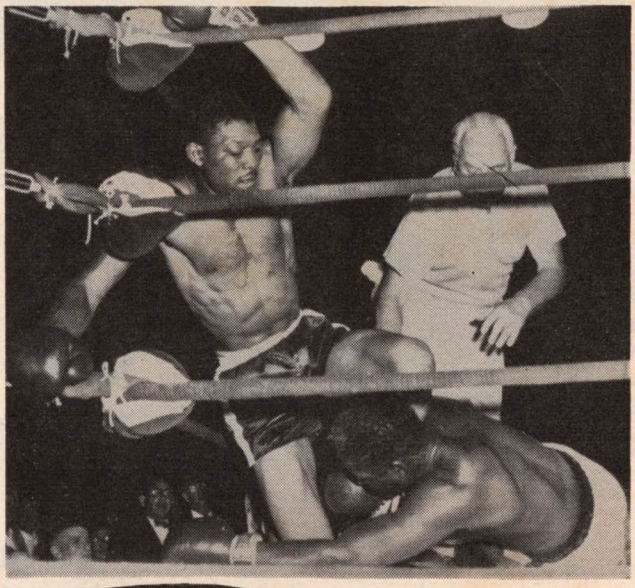
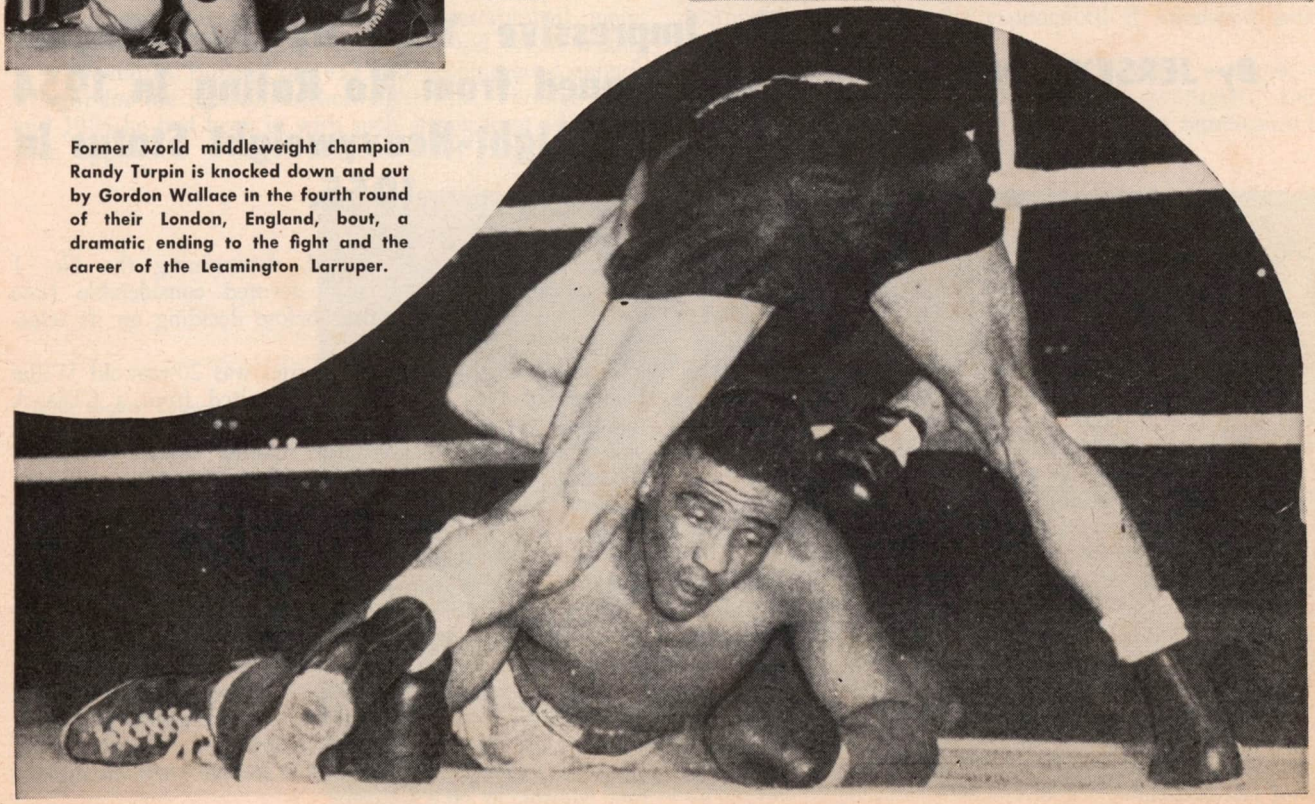


(Left) Raul (Raton) Macias, sags to the ropes after taking a hard right thrown by Billy Peacock in the third round that caused the stunning upset. Macias was rushed to hospital, suffering from a broken jaw.

(Right) Johnny Holman (left) piles into the ropes after flooring Ezzard Charles in the ninth round. Behind all the way, Holman came on to end the fight in this round.



Former world middleweight champion Randy Turpin is knocked down and out by Gordon Wallace in the fourth round of their London, England, bout, a dramatic ending to the fight and the career of the Leamington Larruper.

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Quick Knockout of Paddy Young Wound Up Impressive Year By Ex-Collegian Who Hopped from No Rating in 1954 to Big Ten Light-Heavyweight Status in 1955.

By **JERSEY JONES**

CHECKING an entire year's ring activity throughout the world, it is no simple assignment selecting the one fighter who could be credited with having made the most significant progress during 1955.

Boxing is the No. 1 international sport. It reaches just about every nook and cranny on the map, from giant cities like New York to the vast bush lands of Australia, from bustling harbors like Liverpool to the jungle hamlets of Senegal. It covers all six continents and hundreds of islands dotting the seven seas. Fight cards staged throughout the year total well into the thousands and there never is any predicting whence future champions and title contenders will emanate. There are times when youngsters practically unknown beyond the limits of their own locales, suddenly become outstanding in world competition, and other times when comparative veterans, previously undistinguished, flash into international prominence overnight.

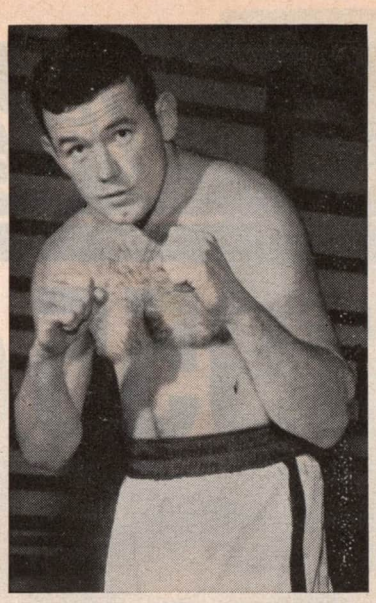
Quite a few lads hopped from virtual obscurity to major recognition during 1955. Who, among them, could be tabbed as having made the most impressive strides toward major recognition?

It's a difficult task, indeed, determining the No. 1 choice, and The Ring staff devoted considerable time and discussion to the matter before deciding on its selection.

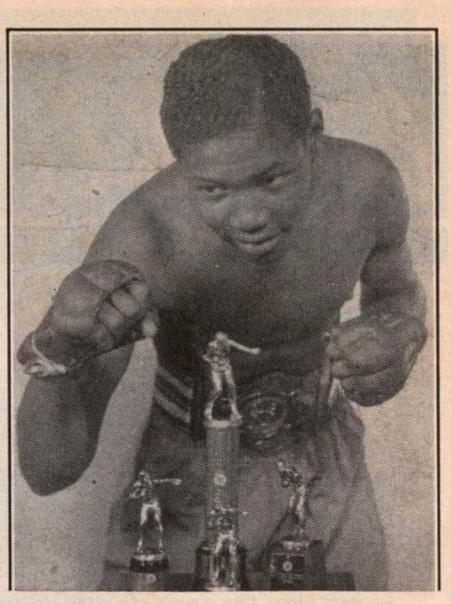
One of the top American entries was 20-year-old Willie Pastrano of New Orleans, who vaulted from a Class A middleweight listing in 1954 to the high rating of No. 2 light-heavyweight title contender in 1955. But Willie could hardly be regarded as a "sudden" development. Despite his youth, he was already an experienced ringster and had been fighting main events around New Orleans and Miami Beach for at least two years. As a welterweight, he had tangled with the likes of Del Flanagan and Italo Scortichini in 1953, and his unbeaten record as a midleweight in 1954 included a decision over rated Bobby Dykes.

That Pastrano, growing into a light-heavy, would continue his steady progress in 1955 was generally expected, and Willie didn't disappoint. His year's performances embraced six wins and one draw, his main achievement being a decision over the fading but ringwise former world champion, Joey Maxim, in New Orleans.

Willie Pastrano, flashy New Orleans light-heavyweight, continued his steady march forward in 1955.



Ingemar Johansson of Sweden, who became leading contender for European heavyweight title.



Ludwig Lightburn, British Honduras lightweight, was another strong candidate for Progress award.

FROM a standpoint of actual accomplishment, the most spectacular campaign of the year was conducted by 24-year-old Fred Galiana of Spain, who skyrocketed from an "A" classification in 1954 to the lofty estate of No. 1 contender for the world featherweight title in 1955.

A busy lad, Galiana packed in a score of fight during the year, won them all, three-fourths by knockouts, twelve in one continuous streak. He fought lightweights as well as weatherweights, won the Spanish 135-pound title, whipped such international rivals as Jacques Dumesnil, Louis Carrara and Francis Bonnardel of France, and Jean Sneyers, Louis Cabo and Jo Janssens of Belgium, and capped his year's industrious activity by taking the European featherweight championship from the veteran but still capable Ray Famechon in Paris.

Unfortunately, however, the same technicality that disqualified Pastrano also eliminated Galiana—he was no "sudden" development. He had been an established main-eventer for several years before 1955. Fred began boxing in 1951 and by the end of 1952 had become good enough to fight for the Spanish featherweight title. Through 1953 and 1954 he had been in with such strong local and European opposition as Louis Romero, Rudi Langer, Jacques Bataille and Mohamed Chickaoui. Hence, despite his spectacular achievements in 1955, The Ring was compelled automatically to eliminate Galiana from the list of those eligible for the year's Most Progress award.

Who was left?

Frankly, aside from a couple of "rookies," the list of candidates wasn't too imposing. The year came up with two freshmen who did remarkably well in their first twelve-months of professional campaigning. One was 18-year-old Billy McDonnell, Australian middleweight; the other Bob Murphy, 22-year-old Boston welterweight. Both lads compiled remarkable records for first-year competition in the money ranks and finished with "A" listings in The Ring's annual ratings.

In less than a dozen bouts, McDonnell fought his way to the Australian middleweight title. Murphy finished his unbeaten year's schedule by scoring two knockdowns and earning a draw with the experienced if somewhat jaded Chico Vejar in Boston.

It was, indeed, outstanding achievement by a couple of "rookies," but, unfortunately for both youngsters, their accomplishments were not of sufficient major significance to

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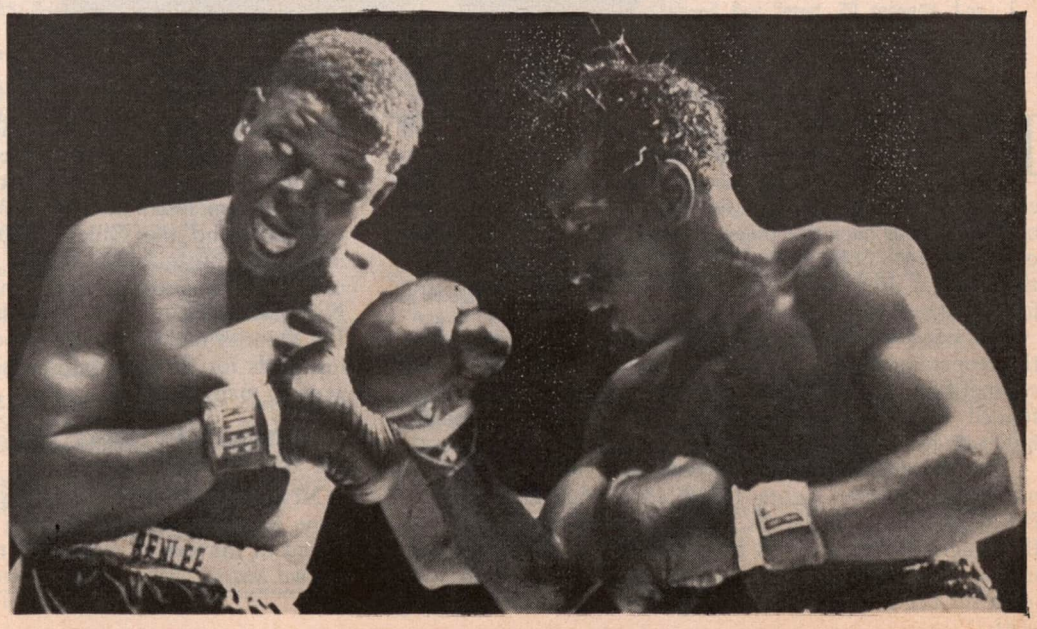

Isaac Logart, Cuban welterweight (right) whips Virgil Akins in Madison Square Garden. Although boxing since 1949, Logart didn't hit Big Time brackets until his 1955 victories over Gil Turner and Akins.

Boxing Review

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Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission who has made boxing history by his attempt to clean up the sport. (See N. F. says for further comment.)

BOXING SHOWED IMPROVEMENT OVER LAST YEAR

By NAT FLEISCHER

PROFESSIONAL boxing, though in an unhealthy state due to the inroads of television and several national investigations, brought about by the rise of unsavory characters in the sport, showed a slight gain in the overall picture over the previous year. With the exception of several title bouts, attendances were no better. In fact, there was a drop in national revenue due to an increasing fall in attendance.

But what was encouraging, was the rise of new talent, the reopening of about twenty small clubs and more spirited competition among the newcomers. Every champion defended his title, with a total of thirteen championship fights staged during the year.

The shutdown of the two organizations that catered to nationally televised fights—the Eastern Parkway Arena of Brooklyn and Ray Arcel's Saturday night programs, was the toughest blow suffered by the sport. It put a big dent in the development of new talent and left the field wide open for the International Boxing Club, thus strengthening that organization's hold on national boxing.

Today major-boxing in our country is conducted almost wholly on a television basis with the sponsorship of Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer, Mennen's Products, The Dodge Motor Company and the Gillette Safety Razor Company. The only other organization besides the I.B.C. that has carried out a weekly program with national television is the St. Nicholas Arena of New York, the oldest club in the East. It's Monday night shows have been a big help in developing top cards for the International Boxing Club and in giving work to many new faces.

NEW JERSEY AND TEXAS HIT THE SPOTLIGHT

New Jersey, dormant as a boxing center for several years, came to life with several good talent shows. Nine were staged in thirteen days, something other states haven't seen in two years. Many newcomers got their pro baptism of

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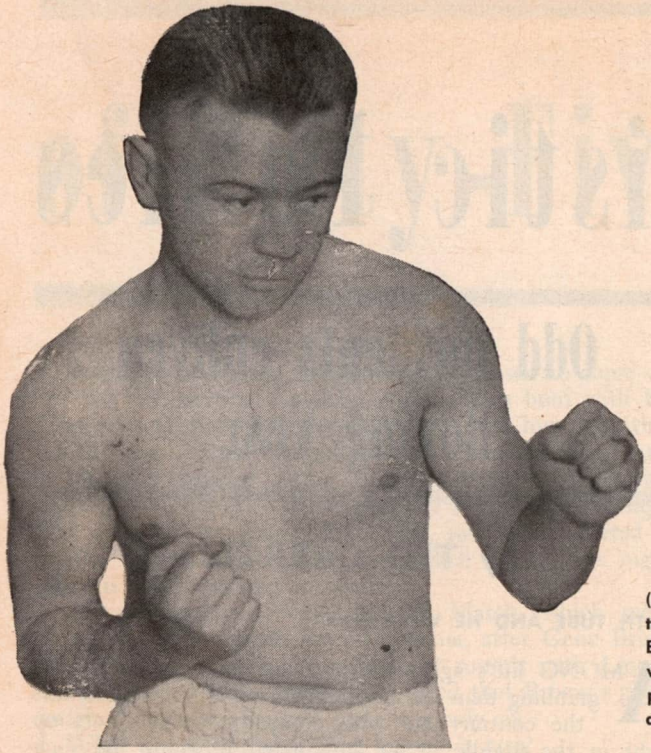
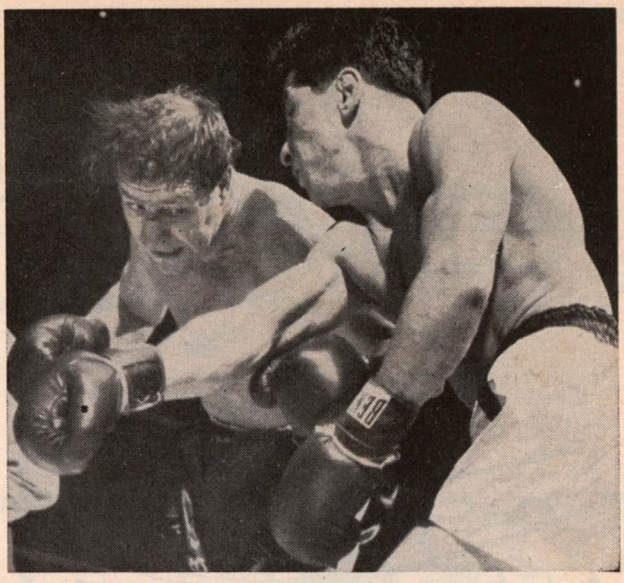




(Left) Johnny Buff, former American flyweight champ and world bantam title holder, who passed away during the past year. (Above) Billy Graham, welterweight contender, as he looked in his last bout with Joey Giardello. Billy won this one after losing two previous disputed decisions. 1955 was the year that saw Billy hang up his gloves and become a liquor salesman.

LARGEST GATE FOR 1955

Rocky Marciano vs. Archie Moore, September 21, at Yankee Stadium, New York City—$948,117.95.

LARGEST PURSE FOR 1955

Rocky Marciano—$340,997.29. His 40% of gate in bout with Moore, plus 40% of the TV gross of $1,240,000 from an attendance of 325,000 persons.

GATES OF $100,000 OR MORE IN 1955

1. Marciano vs. Moore, Sept. 21, Yankee Stadium, New York City $948,117.95
2. Moore vs. Olson, Polo Grounds, June 22, New York City $206,784.00
3. Marciano vs. Cockell, May 16, San Francisco, Calif. $196,720.00
4. Basilio vs. De Marco, Nov. 30, Boston, Mass. $171,800.00
5. Olson vs. Robinson, December 9, Chicago, Ill. $139,725.00
6. Basilio vs. De Marco (first), June 10, Syracuse, N. Y. $119,944.00
7. Moore vs. Valdes, May 2, Las Vegas, Nevada $102,608.00
8. Olson vs. Maxim, April 13, San Francisco, Calif. ... $100,082.50

SEVEN LARGEST ATTENDANCE FOR 1955

1. Marciano vs. Moore, September 21, New York City, N. Y., 61,674
2. Cavicchi vs. Neuhaus, June 25, Bologna, Italy 60,000
3. Cohen vs. Toweel, September 3, Johannesburg, S. A. 30,000
4. Moore vs. Olson, June 22, New York City, N. Y. 27,435
5. Perez vs. Barenghi, April 13, Buenos Aires, Argentina .. 25,045
6. Lane vs. Lakatos, July 28, Milwaukee, Wis., (Free Show), 20,000
7. Peacock vs. Songkitrat, October 16, Thailand 20,000

NEW WORLD CHAMPIONS IN 1955

WELTERWEIGHT—Tony De Marco, of Boston stopped Johnny Saxton of Brooklyn, in 14 rounds, April 1, at Boston, Mass.

WELTERWEIGHT—Carmen Basilio of Canastota, N. Y., stopped Tony De Marco of Boston, June 10, at Syracuse in 12 rounds.

LIGHTWEIGHT—Wallace "Bud" Smith of Cincinnati outpointed Jimmy Carter of New York, June 29, in 15 rounds at Boston.

MIDDLEWEIGHT—Dec. 9, Ray Robinson, N. Y. C., knocked out Carl (Bobo) Olson, Honolulu, T. H. in two rounds at Chicago, Ill.

TITLE BOUTS—1955

February 25—Featherweight Sandy Saddler gained the decision over Teddy Red Top Davis in 15 rounds, New York City, N. Y.

April 1—Welterweight Tony DeMarco stopped Johnny Saxton in 14th round, Boston, Mass.

April 13—Flyweight Pascual Perez kayoed Alberto Barenghi, in 3rd round, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

May 16—Heavyweight Rocky Marciano stopped Don Cockell in 9th round, San Francisco, Calif.

May 31—Flyweight Pascual Perez kayoed Yoshio Shirai, 5th round, Tokyo, Japan.

June 10—Welterweight Carmen Basilio stopped Tony DeMarco, in 12th round, Syracuse, N. Y.

June 22—Light Heavyweight Archie Moore stopped Bobo Olson, third round, New York City, N. Y.

June 29—Lightweight Wallace "Bud" Smith decisioned Jimmy Carter, 15 rounds, Boston, Mass.

September 3—Bantamweight Robert Cohen drew with Willie Toweel, 15 rounds, Johannesburg, South Africa.

September 21—Heavyweight Rocky Marciano halted Archie Moore, 9th round, New York City, N. Y.

October 19—Lightweight Wallace "Bud" Smith retained title, beating Jimmy Carter, 15 rounds, Cincinnati, Ohio.

November 30—Welterweight Carmen Basilio stopped Tony DeMarco, 12th round, retaining title, Boston, Mass.

December 9—Middleweight Ray Robinson knocked out Carl (Bobo) Olson in 2 rounds at Chicago, Ill.

RECORD KNOCKOUTS FOR 1955

May 20—Billy Jordan stopped Herb McDonald, 11 seconds, Akron, Ohio (Middle)

March 16—Dave Ragus kayoed Earl Lumpkin, 18 seconds, Milwaukee, Wis. (Heavy)

April 6—Gordon Meadows kayoed Ray Serna, 20 seconds, Los Angeles, Cal. (Welter)

April 8—Bobby Hughes stopped Ed Smith, 20 seconds, Akron, Ohio, (Light-Heavy)

May 3—Tiberio Mitri stopped Randy Turpin, 28 seconds, Rome, Italy, (Middle)

RECORD KNOCKDOWNS FOR 1955

November 14—In London, Jackie Hughes floored Mick Endley 14 times in 5 rounds but Hughes retired with a bad eye. (Middleweights)

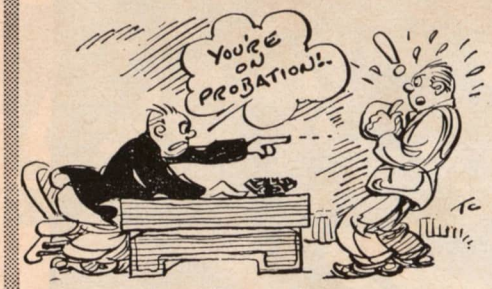
May 29—At Reno, Nevada, Howard King, heavyweight, floored Hans Friedrich 14 times and was downed himself once as he won a ten rounder.

August 8—At Durham, S.A., Benny Nieuwenhuizen floored Gerry Dreyer 11 times and stopped Dreyer in the eighth round. (Welterweights)

March 28—At Corpus Christi, Tommy Ramierz, light heavyweight, stopped Tommy Smith in the ninth round after flooring him a total of 10 times during the bout.

October 3—At Nottingham, Eng., Young Martin floored Dai Dower 8 times and halted him in the 12th round. Dower was down 6 times in the tenth round. (Flyweights)

February 28—At Paris, France, Sauveur Chicooca floored Rene Weismann 8 times as he stopped him in five rounds. (Welterweights)



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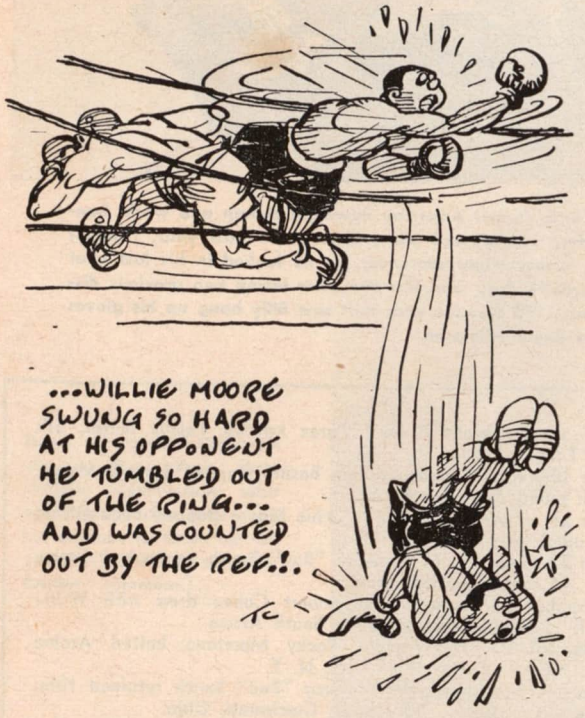

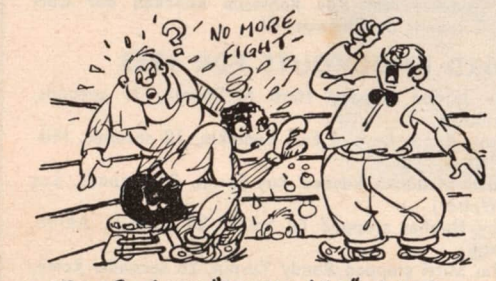

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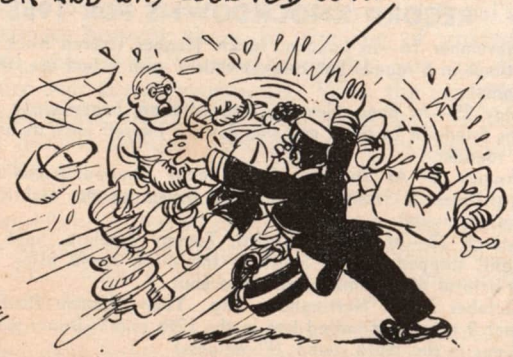

...THEN-STARTED FIGHTING ALL OVER AGAIN..WITH EVERYBODY IN SIGHT..!

Odd incidents enliven Boxing Year

By TED CARROLL

BOTH TUBE AND HE WERE SHOT

AMONG life's aggravations, there are few more goat-grabbing than the unpredictable TV set, which, like the contrary kid with company present, acts up right in the middle of an anticipated program. At such a moment, the urge to commit some sort of mayhem upon the maddening modern miracle is universal, but it took a fight fan to take the action which many of us have felt impelled to take. Mr. Wayne Cook of Mill Valley, California, enraged when the picture flickered in the final round of the Tiger Jones-Bobo Olson fight, grabbed a pistol and fired a shot into the screen. So far so good, but Mr. Cook went to the extremes, to cap the climax, he then dashed into the kitchen and shot himself.

WILLIE MOORE KAYOES SELF

This is the years topper for a fantastic occurrence with a pugilistic sidelight, although Willie Moore, 185 pound Pittsburgher gave the gathering present at a show in Washington, Pa. something to remember as long as they live, when he knocked himself out in the second round of a four-round preliminary. This trick hasn't been turned since Jack Doyle performed a similar feat in London years ago. Moore let a wild one go with such violence, he tumbled out of the ring and was counted out with his opponent declared winner by a knockout.

HE ASKED FOR IT

Sages have been preaching the wisdom of letting well enough alone, down through the ages, but Britisher Fred Powell had to learn it the hard way. In a London fight last March, the referee had given Eddie Hearn the decision over Powell after eight rounds. Powell squawked so vehemently that he had signed for a ten round bout, and not an eight, the referee let him have his way when opponent Hearn voiced no objection to going two more rounds.

Powell was then knocked out in the last seconds of the tenth round.

MITT MANIA

Ring veterans who recall the melee stirred up by Arturo Godoy, who tried to take on ring officials, handlers, cops, and Louis again after being stopped by Joe back in 1939, could have witnessed a revival of this act had they been among those present in the Colon Arena in Panama on March 20th of this year.

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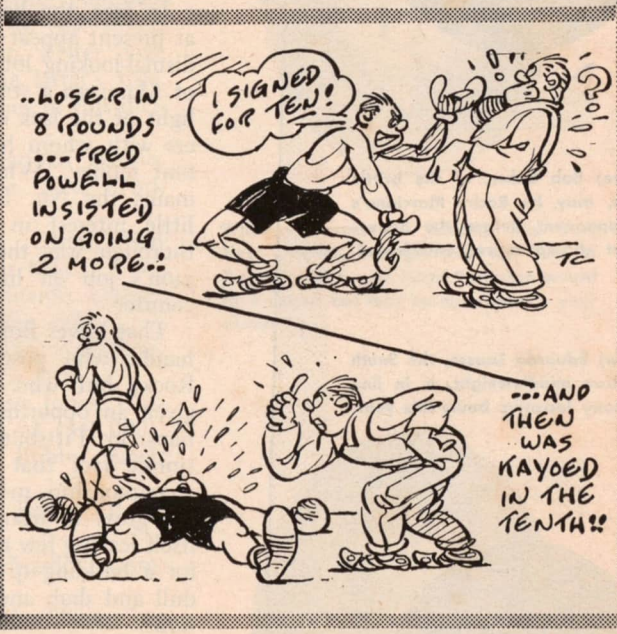

When Lupe Pancho, featherweight, refused to come out for the bill, starting the third round of his bout with Kid Chocolate II, the referee proceeded to count him out sitting on the stool. Once the referee had completed the count, it set off a delayed action desire in Pancho to continue fighting. He began to throw punches at everybody in sight. The cops had to come and get him, and he was carted off to the hoosegow where he was locked up for the night, and his purse donated to charity.

Out in Spokane, Wash. also in March, which seems to be the right month for mitt mania, after Gene Brixon and Amos Lincoln had fought eight rounds with Lincoln winning the decision, it was discovered that Brixon's gloves weighed eight ounces and Lincoln's only six.

What would you have done in such a case?

The commission officials deftly ducked the dilemma by calling the bout, a "technical" draw.

Not all the fighters who figured in these nightmarish episodes were lesser lights. Main eventers Sammy Walker and Milo Savage fighting in New York's St. Nicks Arena last March before a countrywide television audience, engaged in a bout in which the "counted out" fighter won the battle. Savage dropped Walker in the fifth round, the New Englander was still on one knee taking the count as Referee Barney Felix and Timekeeper Johnny Kocak simultaneously reached "nine". As Felix' arm swept downward denoting the tenth second, ringsiders were flabbergasted to hear the timekeeper repeat "nine". Felix somewhat bewildered now, went into a repeat motion indicating "ten" again just as Walker made it to his feet. Walker finished out the round, and the fight and was awarded a split decision.

Something similar took place in Providence in January when Gordon Perry Providence welter, "knocked out" in the first heat, was the winner over Bobby Barnes of Buffalo in eight rounds. Calling the blow which flattened Perry a low one, the referee gave him a five minute recess, after which Perry came back to solidly trounce the kayo "victor".

A fight on the installment plan was handed the customers in Plainville, Connecticut, last June, when Billy Lynch of Hartford and Baby Beau had their bout interrupted after two rounds by a heavy rainstorm, but took up where they left off the next night by going the six remaining rounds.

Many years ago, Ruby Goldstein, now a famous referee, booked for a fight in Newark, failed to show up at weigh-in time. The frantic promoters really had luck on their side for they were able to pluck out of a movie audience and use as a substitute none other than Billy Petrolle, the old Fargo Express, who more than made up for the vanished Ruby. Such happenings have a way of occurring periodically, so last October, Honolulu bantam Francis Militante, scheduled to fight Frankie Campos in Los Angeles, took off from his training quarters the day before the bout and that was the last heard of him. The promoters called the fight off.

BOXING VS WRESTLING

Arguments about the relative merits of boxing and wrestling never end, the edge in the past has supposedly been on the side of the grapplers in mixed meetings staged to settle the issue. It didn't work out that way up in Ft. Williams, Ontario last March—there's that month again—when Bill Cochrane, Chicago light heavyweight, dumped wrestler Frenchy Raynard in the first minute with a body blow.

SOME COMPARISON

History was made in San Francisco last April, when for the first time in memory, a fight judge was put on "probation" and assigned to submit "unofficial" cards at fights to be com-

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'1956 PREVIEW'

By JOHNNY SALAK

(Above) Bob Baker, of the brittle hands, may be Rocky Marciano's last opponent before the heavyweight champ retires undefeated.

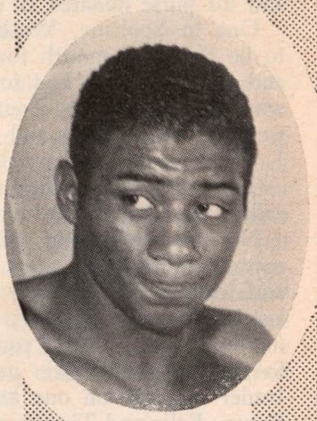
(Below) Eduardo Lausse, the South American middleweight, is in line for many lucrative bouts this year.

STIRRED by some action-packed, dramatic bouts at the tail end of 1955, and the continued success of fast-improving young fighters, the year ahead promises us a flock of entertaining "big" fights throughout the world, though, unfortunately, nothing approaching the interest created in the Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore world heavyweight battle of last September, which brought about the return of the Million Dollar Gate.

In fact, the heavyweight contenders at present appear to be an enemic and dismal-looking lot, with the retirement of Marciano a strong possibility in the light of the lack of aggressive challengers with whom he could draw important money. While Archie Moore remains the No. 1 challenger, there is little interest in a return match, so thorough was the heavyweight champion's job on him in their first encounter.

That leaves Bob Baker, of the brittle hands, who poses no real threat to Rocky but who nevertheless may be given an opportunity at the title, perhaps in Pittsburgh or Miami. The simple fact that it is a heavyweight championship match may help bring the gross to near $200,000, the fight itself leaving few appetizing possibilities for a building-up campaign, remaining dull and drab and foregone in conclusions.

Carmen Basilio, world welterweight champion, along with Marciano, appears to have his title in least jeopardy, and he may eye some lucrative bouts in the middleweight division, pointing to a championship engagement with Ray Robinson, a bout that could produce the largest gate of 1956. The other six champions are such, some below par and others with strong fields confronting them, that they could be knocked off either in title bouts or over-the-weight matches.



(Above) Floyd Patterson, aiming for a shot at Archie Moore's light heavyweight title, also has his eyes set on some of the leading heavyweights.

(Below) Vince Martinez, who may not get a crack at the welterweight title unless the issue is forced, nevertheless figures in many top matches.

MARCIANO STANDS ALONE

While Rocky Marciano stands head, shoulders and fists above his division, especially so since Bob Baker and Nino Valdes accomplished little else than to eliminate themselves as serious contenders in their dull and listless affair recently in Cleveland, a bout won by Baker, one parting shot, possibly against the Pittsburgh Baker boy who can't raise dough, may convince him to hang up his gloves because the big money isn't there. Marciano would thereby become the first world heavyweight champion to go through his entire professional career without a defeat.

The two fighters who could cause him trouble, Floyd Patterson and Willie Pastrano, both classed as light heavyweights at present, are still, wisely admitted by their braintrusts, a year or more away from being ready to battle for the heavyweight crown. They will, however, during the year, be taking shots at some of the leading heavyweight contenders.

Some outstanding bouts which may be made, with the probably city and gross, are:

Rocky Marciano vs. Bob Baker, Pittsburgh ($200,000) or Miami ($175,000), for title.

Floyd Patterson vs. Ezzard Charles, New York ($40,000).

Bob Satterfield vs. Tommy Jackson, Chicago ($40,000).

Johnny Summerlin vs. Nino Valdes, Detroit ($50,000).

Willie Pastrano vs. Ezzard Charles, New Orleans ($70,000).

Willie Pastrano vs. Johnny Holman, Miami ($35,000).

Archie Moore vs. Bob Baker, New York ($65,000).

Bob Satterfield vs. Bob Baker, Chicago ($40,000).

Franco Cavicchi vs. Nino Valdes, Rome ($80,000).

Don Cockell vs. Jack Gardner, London ($60,000).

LIGHT HEAVIES ARE ALIVE

World light heavyweight champion Archie Moore already has signed for a defense of his title against Yolande Pompey in London, a bout that will create much interest in the British Isles, where boxing is being hard pinched by lack of talent, high taxes and the old bugaboo, television. Should Moore win, there are several other leading challengers waiting for him, in a division that has received a shot in the arm and looks alive with the rapid progress made by some of its newer members. The bout that would create most interest in the class would pit Willie Pastrano against Floyd Patterson, either in New Orleans or New York. However, the respective managers are doing a clever job of feinting and side-stepping, while keeping their eyes on an eventual meeting of these two, possibly not for another year. It will be one of the "real" big ones when it does take place.

Light heavyweight bouts which may take place during the year:

Archie Moore vs. Yolande Pompey, London ($200,000), for title.

Archie Moore vs. Floyd Patterson, New York ($250,000), for title.

Archie Moore vs. Willie Pastrano, New Orleans ($200,000), for title.

Willie Pastrano vs. Chuck Speiser, New Orleans ($50,000), Detroit ($70,000), or Miami ($30,000).

Floyd Patterson vs. Bob Satterfield, Chicago ($60,000.

Floyd Patterson vs. Chuck Speiser, Detroit ($50,000).

ROBINSON-BASILIO WOULD BE BIG

As always, the middleweights provide most action. Generally speaking, they are able to combine speed with the lefty wallops that produces action and thrills galore. With the invincibility of Bobo Olson crudely shattered by both Archie Moore and Ray Robinson during 1955 and Sugar Ray now the new (for the third time) 160-lb. champion, many interesting combinations come to mind. The best would be the pitting of Basilio, welter boss, against Robinson for the latter's title.

Some of the possibilities in this division are:

Ray Robinson vs. Carmen Basilio, Syracuse ($250,000) or New York ($300,000), for title.

Robinson vs. Bobo Olson, San Francisco ($200,000), for title.

Ray Robinson vs. Eduardo Lausse, New York ($125,000), for title.

Ray Robinson vs. Rocky Castellani, Cleveland ($100,000), for title.

Ray Robinson vs. Tiger Jones, Chicago ($40,000) or New York ($40,000).

Eduardo Lausse vs. Bobby Boyd, Chicago ($30,000).

Carmen Basilio vs. Bobo Olson, Syracuse ($75,000).

Carmen Basilio vs. Eduardo Lausse, New York ($45,000).

Eduardo Lausse vs. Bobo Olson, San Francisco ($50,000) or New York ($30,000).

Charley Humez vs. Eduardo Lausse, Paris ($85,000).

WELTERS HAVE TO PROVE THEMSELVES

In the welterweight ranks, though Carmen Basilio seems to have little to really contend with at this time and may decide to move up into the middleweight division, several fighters could prove to be good challengers during

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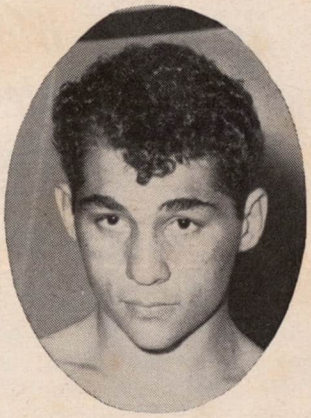
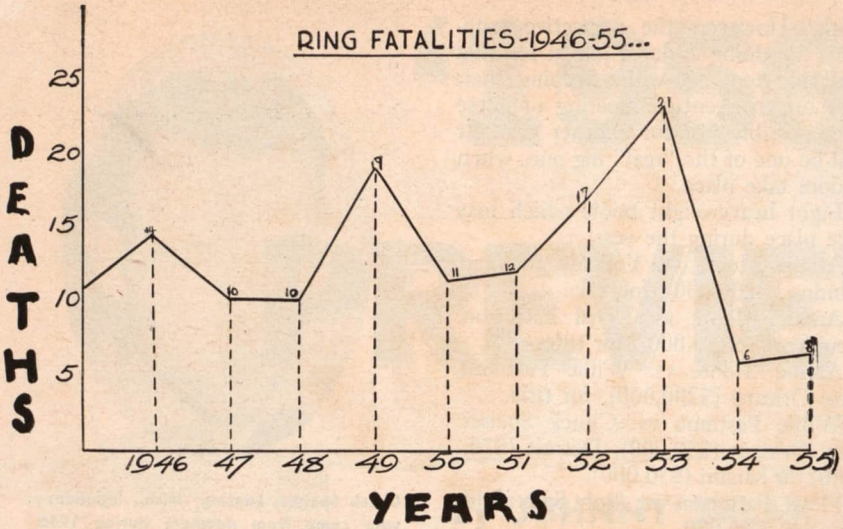
Chuck Speiser, Lansing, Mich., lightheavy who came from nowhere during 1955, could cause all the leading challengers serious trouble this year.



Willie Pastrano, the dancing boy from New Orleans, can go with the best of them. A match with Floyd Patterson would be a classic but may be more than a year away.

Isaac Logart, the flashy Cuban welterweight, looms as Carmen Basilio's most serious challenger but he would have to hurdle Vince Martinez to get the shot.



Only Eight Deaths Throughout the World in Boxing During Year; Auto Racing and Hunting List Hundreds, While Other Contact Sports Show Fatality Rates Greater Than in Glove Encounters.

By NAT FLEISCHER

Ferman King, 26 year old pro fighter, died on December 1 of injuries suffered in a welterweight bout with Aman Peck at Tampa, Fla. This was the third death in American rings for 1955.

IN the mind of the "layman" boxing is a dangerous sport. Two men get into a ring and throw punches at each other. Ergo, the chance of fatality must be regarded as big.

However, statistics for 1955 indicate that the business of boxing is safer than the great American daily rite of taking a bath.

There wer only nine deaths in boxing in 1955 and only three of them in the United States. One man died of a heart attack, another of an injury in a sports carnival exhibition in which there was no medical supervision.

In 1955 auto racing, there were more than 125 deaths, with quite a few spectators listed among the fatalities.

A 1955 survey by the National Rifle Association revealed the startling total of 1,166 weapon accidents in 24 states and two Canadian provinces. Nineteen percent of these mishaps produced deaths.

In the 1955 deer hunting season, the state of Michigan alone reported 31 fatalities, the state of New York 12, seven victims being boys.

American football in 1955 produced five deaths tracing directly to competition.

The year 1955 produced three more deaths than 1954 had recorded, in boxing.

The American fatalities came at Tampa, Fla., Trenton, N. J. and Providence, R. I. There is clear evidence that closer supervision by Commissions, tigher regulations, a

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BOXING DEATHS IN 1955

March 23—At Nagoya, Japan—Yoshiharu Yukoi, Japan's sixth ranking featherweight died four days after he had lost a decision to second ranking Akiyoshi Akanuma. He collapsed and died from a brain injury. (Professional)

April 3—At Obernburg, Germany—Werner Bopp, 17 years old junior heavyweight died in the ring. The medical examiner declared death was caused by a heart attack. (Professional)

April 6—At Buenos Aires, Argentina—Julio Lucero, 21 years old welter, died in his dressing room after being knocked out by Americo Villarul. His head struck an exposed portion of the ring and he died from a brain hemorrhage. (Professional)

April 7—At Paris, France—Marc Bilaut, 24 years old welter, died following a head injury sustained when he collided with his opponent, their heads striking. Meningitis was given as the cause of death. (Professional)

April 17—At Trenton, N. J.—Bryan Thompson, Philadelphia middleweight, died from an inter-cranial hemorrhage and pneumonia following a knockout in the second round at the hands of Jerry Leudee of New Haven. It was Thompson's first fight as a pro. (Professional)

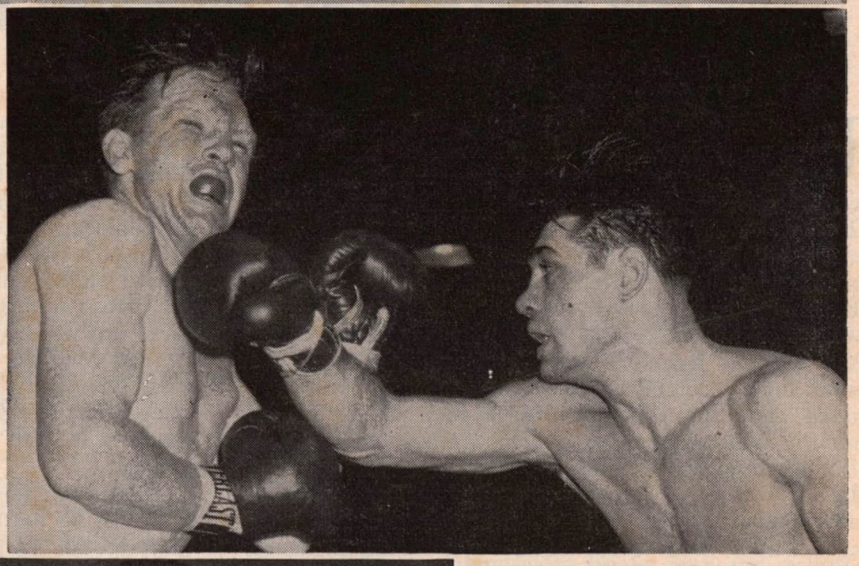
April 18—At Vienna, Austria—Josef Janoch, an amateur welterweight, died from a brain hemorrhage following an exhibition in a sports carnival in a factory where he was working. His opponent was a bantamweight, Gustave Anglemann. (Amateur)

May 9—At Providence, R. I.—Jose Contreras, 28 years old Taunton, Mass., middleweight died from a subdural hemorrhage in his bout with Bob Bolton of Providence. He collapsed in the dressing room after the bout had been stopped. (Professional)

Dec. 1—At Tampa, Fla.—Ferman King, 25 years old welterweight, died from a brain hemorrhage after being knocked out in the ninth round by Armen Peck. He passed away two days after the bout. (Professional)

Dec. 18—Mayenne, France—Jean Boleda, 27, a middleweight, died from a brain hemorrhage after being knocked out by Hami Makholbia. (Professional)

Caught with a left hook just as the bell sounded ending the fourth, British middleweight Johnny Sullivan goes to the canvas as Referee Lou Parker rushes to his aid and opponent Eduardo Lausse looks on in their recent match in Cleveland. Sullivan, doing well until that time but unable to fully recover from the borderline punch, was halted in the next round.



(Right) Not Nice to McNeece. Tony Johnson, New York light heavyweight, belts a hard right to jaw of Billy McNeece during savage slugfest at St. Nicholas Arena. Johnson halted him in the eighth round.

Scuffle off to Buffalo where Bob Satterfield (right) plants a long right to head of Paul Andrews in heavyweight bout several weeks ago. Satterfield ended matters in the ninth round by knocking out Andrews.

Duilio Loi (right) successfully defending European lightweight championship against dangerous French challenger, Seraphin Ferrer. Rated No. 2 contender for world title, Loi was busy performer in 1955 and his industrious activity was one reason for boxing's continued popularity in Italy.

By JERSEY JONES

GLOBE TROTTING

1955 NOT AN OUTSTANDING YEAR IN INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY; FEW DEVELOPMENTS OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE

RING historians are not likely to recognize 1955 as one of the better years in international competition. Frankly, these last twelve months were comparatively dull and unproductive in major boxing developments.

Two world championships were contested for beyond the territorial limits of the United States, and they involved the titles in the two lightest weight classes.

Proving that his previous year's victory was no accident, flyweight champion Pascual Perez of the Argentine journeyed back to Japan to make his second triumph over Yoshio Shirai a complete one. Whereas he had only outpointed Shirai in fifteen rounds in their 1954 meeting, Perez this time handed the Japanese a terrific lacing before finishing him in five sessions.

In the other championship outing, French-Algerian Robert Cohen traveled to South Africa to retain his bantamweight laurels in a fifteen-rounder with local challenger Willie Toweel. The decision was a draw.

England made a bid for the heavyweight title by sending Don Cockell to San Francisco to meet Rocky Marciano, but the result was virtually a foregone conclusion. The chubby Cockell had little to offer but courage, and was battered out of circulation in nine rounds.

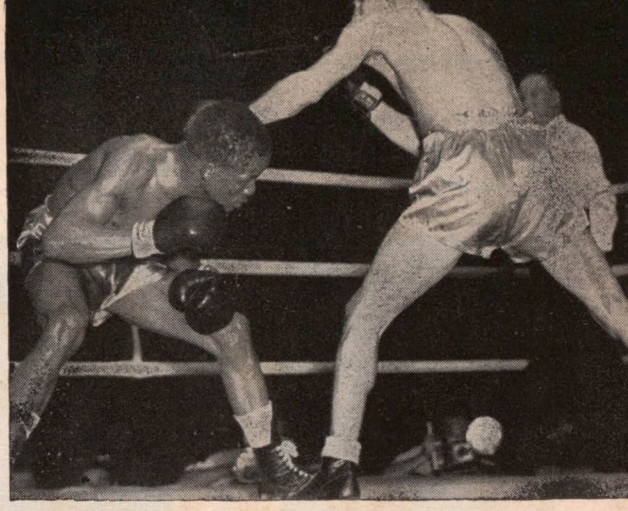
Aside from these bouts, there was little of big-time significance to report on the far-flung international front these last twelve months. It was, generally, a year of commonplace behavior. Ring activity moved along at a fairly normal pace, promoters doing the best they could with what material was available. That material, for the most part, could best be described as ordinary, with few developments of exceptional import. Boxing slumped in some sectors, improved in others, and held its own in most.

HIGH amusement taxes and a dearth of outstanding talent continued to have a discouraging effect on British boxing. Three of the tight little isle's top attractions suffered disastrous setbacks during the year. It was disappointing enough when Cockell lost in his bid for Marciano's laurels, but it was an even more stunning jolt when Don, back in England, was demolished in a hurry by the Cuban tourist, Nino Valdes. Randy Turpin's "comeback" was wrecked by the lightly regarded Canadian visitor, Gordon Wallace, and if that weren't sufficient, Britain's latest favorite, Dai Dower, who seemed headed for a crack at the world flyweight title, met up with a staggering reverse when the Spanish veteran, Young Martin, knocked him out.

There were, however, a few cheering notes in the British scene. In his fourth year of pro campaigning, unbeaten Pat McAteer ran his winning streak to thirty-nine straight and collected both British and Empire middleweight titles en route. The steady progress of several likely youngsters also contributed to the brighter side of the fistic scene. Among the better newcomers were heavyweights Joe Erskine, Brian London and Dick Richardson, and welterweight Peter Waterman.

For steady and profitable activity, the three most consistent nations on the European continent were France, Italy and Spain. The biggest turnout of the year was reported in Bologna, Italy, when the local "sensation," Franco Cavicchi, wrested the European heavyweight title from the German veteran, Heinz Neuhaus. The crowd was estimated at 50,000.

Another Italian, Duilio Loi, holding both the national and European lightweight titles, did most of his important



One of Britain's crushing setbacks was unexpected knockout of Dai Dower by Spanish veteran, Young Martin, for European flyweight title. But flashy Welshman was not discouraged. Here he is (right) beginning his comeback with successful defense of British Empire laurels against former champion, Jake Tuli.

Fred Galiana, Spanish featherweight, gets out of his ring togs to pose in bull-fighter's regalia. Which was a natural gesture since his ring tactics have been linked to a matador's. Galiana's spectacular campaign was a highlight of Europe's 1955 boxing activities.

fighting in Milan, and drew big gates there against a native rival, Giancarlo Garbelli, and two French visitors, Ray Famechon and Seraphin Ferrer. Once he resumed fighting after recovering from a shooting incident that put him out of action for several months, Mario D'Agata was another popular attraction in Italy. D'Agata's busy campaign resulted in his being tabbed No. 1 contender for Robert Cohen's world bantam title.

CHARLEY HUMEZ continued to be France's main attraction, but lightweight Seraphin Ferrer and featherweight Cherif Hamia crowded the middleweight veteran in their bids for popularity. It was a bitter jolt to the French when their two bantam aces, world champion Cohen and contender Hilaire Pratesi, were injured in automobile accidents. Cohen, out of the ring eight months, finally returned to action, but indications were that the more seriously injured Pratesi's career had ended.

Incidentally, Cohen, returning to Paris after defending his bantam title in South Africa, made the grievous mistake of going out of his class to meet featherweight Hamia. It was a "hot" attraction in the French capital, and packed the Palais des Sport, but didn't turn out too well for Cohen. He was stopped by his heavier rival.

The big news in Spain was, of course, the spectacular success of Fred Galiana, who topped a busy, all-winning year by wresting the European featherweight laurels from the veteran Ray Famechon in Paris. Young Martin's sensational defeat of Dai Dower in Britain gave Spain another European title, the flyweight. During the year the Spanish had several other popular homebreds to root for, the best of whom was southpaw featherweight Jose Hernandez.

One of the most discouraging European developments of 1955 was the continued decline of boxing activity in Germany. From a high of 180 fight cards staged in 1949, promotions had been steadily falling off in *Deutschland* until less than thirty were offered last year. The reason apparently was that interest in German boxing centers chiefly in heavyweights—and there was quite a crowd of them six years ago. As they gradually faded from the scene, with few newcomers to replace them, the public's enthusiasm for ring wars seemed to fade with them, despite the fact that lighter divisions continued to produce colorful performers. Gerhard Hecht, who moved up from the light-heavyweight class to become national heavyweight champion during the year, was Germany's main attraction in 1955, but light-heavy Willi Hoepner, middleweight Max Resch and featherweight Rudi Langer were other standouts.

The most unique happening on the Continent during the year was 48-year-old Bep van Klaveren's bid for the European welterweight title. The Dutchman, who turned professional 'way back in 1928, after winning the Olympic featherweight championship in Paris, made a gallant stand against Idrissa Dione, the French-Senegalese, but the latter was too young and durable, and outlasted Bep in fifteen rounds in Rotterdam.

THE only ring activity of note in the Scandinavian nations centered in young Swedish heavyweight Ingemar Johansson, who topped a half-dozen cards staged in Stockholm and Gothenburg.

Boxing was staged through the year on fairly steady schedules in Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and on an infrequent basis in Luxembourg, Portugal and Austria, but there was little of major consequence to report from any of them.

Willie Toweel's bid for the world bantam title was the outstanding event of 1955 in South Africa, but shows were promoted regularly in Cape Town and Durban as well as Johannesburg. Next to the youngest member of the Toweel clan, the leading attractions in the Union were middleweight Mike Holt, welterweight Benny Nieuwenhuizen and lightweight Johnny van Rensburg.

Argentina and Venezuela were the most active of the South American nations. Frequent cards in Buenos Aires and Caracas did well during the year. The top attractions in the Argentine were flyweight Pascual Perez, bantamweight Roberto Castro, featherweight Jose Bruno, welterweight Oscar Pita and middleweight Eduardo Lausse, while Venezuela's leading box-office assets were featherweight Victor (Sonny) Leon and welter Ismael Espana.

Once a prolific developer of good fighters, Australia had only two entries, bantamweight Bobby Sinn and welterweight George Barnes, capable of taking on strong international competition. For the most part Australian ring activity was conducted on a local basis, with few outstanding events reported for the year.

The most important developments in the Far East were accounted for in the Philippines. Japan and Thailand were fairly active during 1955, but handicapped by a dearth of outstanding attractions. Nipponese enthusiasm for boxing was dealt a double staggering

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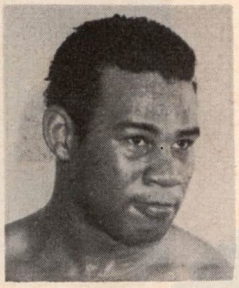
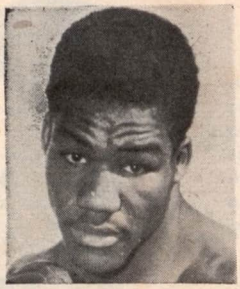
Reagan (Buddy) Turman, Tyler, Texas Light Heavyweight.

Duke Sabedong, Giant Hawaiian Heavyweight.



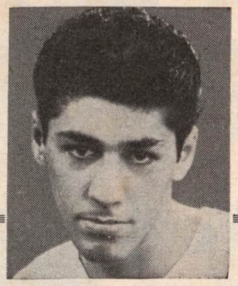
Rory Calhoun, White Plains, N. Y. Middleweight.



Joey Dorando, Lyndhurst, N. J. Welterweight.

The Future Looks Bright

Carlos Ortiz, New York, N. Y. Lightweight.



Johnny Gorman, New York City, Lightweight.

By **LEW ESKIN**

BOXING'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOUTH. NEW CROP ABOUNDS WITH TALENT TO MEET RING NEEDS.

IN recent years it has become a pose of boxing writers to deplore the alleged lack of ring prospects and bewail the quality of the incoming crop.

An analysis of the field from which our future champions and top contenders must develop shows that the situation is far from dreary and the outlook far from drab. In fact, we have a number of youngsters who could well reach the top in the next two or three years. A surprising large group who are not merely coming on: *they are rushing for the spotlight.*

In the United States, Canada, Mexico and The Carribean, fighters in all of the weight divisions have been springing up this past year showing ability and promise.

Taking them by divisions, we find among the heavyweights eleven boys who stand out above the rest. They are led by a youngster from Reeding, Calif., who in less then a year of pro activity and ten bouts has climbed to the A class in the annual ratings. He is Eddie Machen, who has run off ten straight kayo wins, half coming in the first round. A solid puncher with either hand, the protege of Sid Flaherty has racked up wins over a few name boys, such as Frank Buford, Howard King and Max Chris. In a four round bout on the Moore-Olson card in New York this summer, he halted former amateur champion Artie Lucido in less then two minutes.

A well built 195-pounder, this six-footer could eventually be a contender for Marciano's crown. Close on Eddie's heels are a pair of Texans who just settled their differences, the victor and Texas champion, Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, and the loser Regan (Buddy) Turman of Tyler. Harris, a six foot 180-pounder, has won all of his nine bouts, scoring four kayos. Besides Turman, he has beaten Ted Donald, Fred Taylor and the veteran I. H. (Sports) Harvey.

The loss to Harris, the second in twelve starts for the 177-pound Turman who engaged in Texas' first mixed match in February when he defeated Harvey, does not lessen his chances to reach the top. Like Harris he is more of a boxer than a puncher.

Another who looms brightly on the horizon is a 19-year old high school hero from Philadelphia, Pa., Fernando Fala, who has hung up an even dozen wins, with only the veteran Lou Benson able to last the limit twice. Fala, a wicked puncher, has flattened eight in the opening heat.

Among the more promising are: Warnell Lester, of Bel Air, Md., 1954 National A.A.U. 175-pound champion, who has eight wins and a draw since turning pro, with five kayos; Harold Williams of Port Arthur, Texas, unbeaten in five; George Moore, a big 220-pound ex-Michigan A.A.U. and Golden Glove titleholder, who has also won five straight

with four kayo; Chicago's Crowe Peele, who at Louisiana States was 1955 NCAA titleholder and has scored three straight kayos since joining the pay ranks; Garvin Sawyer, 1955 National and International Golden Gloves king, unbeaten in both of his pro starts; Hawaii's Duke Sabedong at 6 ft. 6 in. 220-pounder who has lost but 3 of 15, scoring 9 kayos; and Amos Lincoln of Portland, Ore., with a 12-1-2 record. All of Duke's losses have been to Amos.

The light heavyweight class has four promising youngsters, headed by Al Lane, of Chicago, Ill., a fast puncher has won six of seven and reversed his only loss by a kayo in his next bout. Al, a sturdily built lad, could develop into a heavyweight. George Kartalian, a rugged boy from Syracuse, N. Y., is unbeaten in seven pro bouts. Sonny O'Mara of Tacoma, Wash., has won 2 of 3, reversing a draw with a first round kayo. Former Texas Golden Gloves champ Donnie Fleeman of Waxahachie has won all of his 3 bouts by knockouts. They are the best of the intermediate class.

The middleweight division boasts a boy who rates now as the best bet for the future in Rory Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y. A tough fighter of the school that likes to mix it as well as outmove and out-think their opponents, he has reached an A rating and main event status in 15 months. Rory, a two-fisted slugger, with eight kayos to his credit, has won over such good boys, such as Hardy Smallwood, Clifton Lester, Sonny Gill, Mel Collins, Curtis Bruce, Don Bryant, Jerry Luedee and Charley Salas. The men in the trade rate Rory on a par with most of top 160-pounders right now. Joe Gray, a tough Dearborn, Mich., belter, with 11 straight victories, has the busy crowd-pleasing style that the fans love. Dick Lane, a good puncher from Billings, Mont., has advanced rapidly since turning pro in January and, fighting mostly main bouts, has won 13 of 14, losing only to the experienced Mickey Rhodes. Dick has stopped eight of his foes. Ex-New Jersey A.A.U. and Golden Gloves king, Genorace Armstrong, with four straight. Distino Lois, of New York, and Jerry Luedee, of Kearny, N. J., give the 160-pound class a lot of future promise.

The welterweights have the largest number of promising youngsters, an even dozen, with former National A.A.U. king from Philadelphia, Pa., Garnett (Sugar) Hart at the top of the list. Sugar has racked up 11 wins in 12, scoring 10 kayos. On his heels are Mel Collins of Trenton, N. J., and Ernie (Sonny Boy) Williams of Washington, D. C. Collins has won 13 of 15, including wins over Williams, Tim Jones, Gordon Perry and Clifton Lester. He lost to Calhoun and Jake Josato. Ernie has lost 2 of 13, dropping decisions to Collins and losing his first fight to Johnny Gwynn. A short, walk-in-slugger, he like the tall boxer Collins, rates highly in the eyes of the men in the trade. Joey Durondo, of Lyndhurst, N. J., captured the championship in the 1955 Pan-American games at Mexico City and as a pro has scored six kayos in winning seven straight. From Hawaii comes the AAU champion in 1954 and '55 Johnny Kaheaku, who is unbeater in four bouts. Lyle Mackin of Richmond, Calif., with ten straight; Norm Johnson of Milwaukee, Wisc., with 13 wins and a drew, 11 kayos; Reybon Stubbs of Pittsburgh, Pa., unbeaten in 12, with 8 kayos; Don Weller, of St. Paul, Minn.; Jimmy Peters of Washington, D.C.; Ronnie Walcott of San Angelo, Tex.; and Eddie Asti of Los Angeles, Calif., complete the list.

The lightweight class also is loaded with promising boys. Surprisingly, the top quartet all come from New York City. Former amateur champion Benny Artist and Carlos Ortiz, along with Johnny Gorman and Gale Kerwin make up the big city entry. Artist, a speedy boxer with loads of class, has won 15 of 17. No puncher, he has plenty of ring savvy. Oritz, unbeaten in 11 straight, packs a solid wallop to go along with boxing skill. Seven of his wins have been by kayoes. Gorman, a tall string bean with fast hands and a lot of heart, has copped 18 of 20, while Kerwin is a sharp puncher who can also box. Gale, in winning 15 of 18, has halted 4. Following closely behind are "Kayo Kid" Bobby McHugh of Boston, Mass., who has 9 kayos in his dozen straight victories, and L. C. Morgan, another clouter who has turned in 8 kayos in winning 12 of 14. He has stopped Ron Stribling, Louis Carr, Chuck Adkins, Tommy Salem, beaten Bobby Bickle and in his last start dropped the duke to ranking Ludwig Lightburn.

Bobby Scanlon, a picture boxer from Buffalo who has only a draw to mar his record in 17 starts; Walter Byars, a rough puncher from Boston, Mass., with 11 wins in 13 starts, and Floyd East of Lake Charles, La., unbeaten in nine bouts, are also very promising.

The featherweights are few but the four youngsters all show high promise. Herman Duncan of Los Angeles, Calif., has four kayos in seven bouts. He reversed a draw with a kayo triumph in a return. Bobby Robleto of San Francisco, son of one time top 126 pounder Canto, has shown much of his dad's ability in hanging up five straight. Still another of California's fighting families to come to the front is Alfredo Escobar of Los Angeles. He too has won five straight, and Vinc Delgado, a nephew of Carlos Chavez, has one draw and 10 wins going for him. Normie Hutchins of Trenton, N. J., is unbeaten in six, and has a win over Canadian bantamweight king Fernando Gagnon in his last start. An operation has kept him on the sidelines since but he will be back soon.

The bantamweight class has some outstanding prospects in Mexico's Ricardo Moreno, who has had 20 bouts, won 19, all by knockouts. And Philadelphia's Bobby Singleton, with 12 wins and a draw in 16 bouts. He has kayoed Luis Galvani and his losses have been to Freddie Fuller, whom he had also beaten, and ranking Oscar Suarez and Orlando Reyes. Others are Jimmy Abeyta of Oakland, Calif., unbeaten in five, Toto Ibarra of Panama with three straight kayoes, and Jamie Caraballo of San Francisco, Calif. Jamie has scored 9 kayoes in winning 15 and drawing two.

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L. C. (Langston) Morgan, Youngstown, O. Lightweight.

Cliff Eskridge, Cario, Ill. Flyweight.

Ricardo Moreno, Mexico City, Mexico Bantamweight.

Floyd East, Lake Charles, La. Lightweight.

Nat FLEISCHER *says:*

NO article in this publication in recent years brought so strong and varied a response as that which appeared in the January issue, "Skill, Assets of Greatness." The article discussed the ability of the world heavyweight champion, Rocky Marciano. The Ring Editor pointed to Rocky's power, durability and courage, which make him stand out in a class by himself among present-day heavyweights, and added that until he developed a few additional assets that belonged to a thoroughly rounded-out pugilist, the champion could not meet fully the requirements for "greatness."

The analysis brought letters of abuse from Rocky's admirers, but comparatively few of the hundreds received met the issue squarely. Although I have answered every letter personally, so keen has some of the opposition to my analysis been, a few additional words are timely.

It is gratifying that our readers will so vehemently defend their own views on subjects appearing in this publication, they take nothing for granted.

That's a healthy sign. We are entitled to our opinions.

It seems that many readers regarded the article as an attack on Marciano. It merely pointed out the things the champion eventually may acquire to gain a place with the top ranking heavyweights of all time.

Knockouts alone don't make a finished fighter. If one is to judge greatness only by the number of knockouts a fighter has scored, then many famous ringmen who possessed terrific punching power should be classed with the Greats of All-Time.

George K. O. Chaney was one of the ring's most powerful hitters. Young Otto had a punch soporific. Tom Sharkey had a whale of a wallop. He was durable, courageous and could take it as he proved in his marvelous battle of 25 rounds with Jim Jeffries.

Yet none of these was considered a finished fighter. Rocky Marciano is in that category. He takes his place as one of the four most powerful clouters since John L. Sullivan's day, but he is not, I repeat, a great all-around battler as was Jack Johnson or Bob Fitzsimmons among the old school and Gene Tunney among the more modern pugilists.

One never saw those three miss fifty-eight blows as did Rocky in his contest with Archie Moore. The pictures show that, if my critics care to study them. I reiterate, "Greatness in Boxing" constitutes far more than a knockout clout, which I'll admit, is the convincer when it comes to settling wagers. All the letters I received point to the wonderful knockout record of Marciano and his string of consecutive victories.

The arguments put forth by my dissenters that in Moore, Walcott and Charles, the champion faced three clever heavyweights yet battered them into submission. Even their cleverness couldn't prevent Rocky from delivering the kayo wallop. True, he wore each

Charley Goldman, who has been a credit to boxing for over a half century and is currently trainer of Rocky Marciano, world heavyweight champion, was recently honored by the Veterans Boxing Association of New York. Goldman, one of the best little fighters in the business in his day, had upward of 300 bouts, some sixty with one opponent.

GUILD DISSOLUTION ORDER WILL HIT NEW YORK BOXING

BOXING in the state of New York was bound to suffer through the New York Commission's order dissolving the International Boxing Guild, composed chiefly of managers. The order came from Chairman Julius Helfand, on December 12.

Helfand announced that any manager still holding membership in the Guild on January 15 would have his New York Commission license revoked.

Supporters of clean boxing applauded the cleanup move by the New York chairman.

Members of the Guild threatened reprisals,—first, through court action fighting Helfand's right to dissolve the Guild; secondly, through ignoring New York in making matches.

The charges against the Guild, as massed by Helfand, follow;—

1. Its records are haphazard: officials and members are vague on operation.
2. Matchmakers, promoters and seconds are permitted to be members, creating dangers of monopoly.
3. A conspiracy existed to "ground" welter Vince Martinez after a dispute with his manager, Bill Daly. (Martinez recently signed a new contract with Daly after several months on the sidelines.)
4. Out-of-state managers were compelled to "cut in" a New York manager to get a fight in New York
5. Guild bargained for TV contracts, and neither fighter nor promoter had freedom of bargaining.
6. Association with criminals.
7. Promoter Ray Arcel payed $17,000 to the guild magazine for assurance of cooperation in his Saturday night TV fights.
8. Collection of $100 fee from each main-event fighter appearing on TV circumvented a previous decision by the commission.

Nat Fleischer (second from right) and Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, shake hands as they met in Hardin, Mont., where the nation's Youth Program, endorsed by President Eisenhower, to combat juvenile delinquency, was launched. Prominent citizens of Montana, and Fred Saddy, of the Wisconsin State Athletic Commission, were on hand.

down, but that in itself doesn't prove the fallacy of my analysis.

Their arguments fail to touch the issue. My article didn't call for the defeat of Rocky. It merely pointed out that the champion had to acquire some of the assets that belonged to Jack Johnson—cleverness, mastery in feinting beautiful jabbing, blocking and hitting almost simultaneously and speedy countering, to enable him to reach the ranks of the ring Immortals—Gans, Leonard, Johnson, Fitzsimmons among several others whose names are listed among the Greats of All Time.

Until he masters some of those finer points, Marciano will be rated not as a great fighter but as a great, two-fisted hitter, one of the best the game has had.

GREAT LITTLE GUY HONORED BY VETERANS OF BOXING

Boxing honored a little fellow a few weeks ago who has been part of the game for upwards of fifty years—the man with the derby and the cigar—Charley Goldman. At the age of 67, a period in one's life when a person who has been active, especially as a boxer and trainer, thinks of enjoying his late years in retirement, little Charley continues to find pleasure in functioning as a trainer not only for world champion Marciano but many unknowns.

For his long service to boxing, Goldman was recently dined and wined by the Veteran Boxing Association of New York, (Ring 9) at the Park Sheraton Hotel. Charley received a handsome plaque and heard his friends extol him to the skies. The old timers present remember the Little Man with the Derby as the most active fighter during the club membership days when one often had to do his fighting in secret in the dance halls or the back room of a saloon to avoid molestation from the police.

Goldman engaged in upward of 300 fights, though the record book shows far fewer. When he fought, records were seldom kept. Aside from a couple of mementos of his fighting career—a slightly bashed-in-nose and left ear revealing traces of what the trade calls a "cauliflower"—there is little about this famous boxing character to suggest half a century of association with one of the toughest and roughest of all sports.

A pleasant, mild-mannered, soft spoken, kindly man, Charley has been an asset to boxing. There are few more popular members of the fistic profession than Goldman. He not only has given a helping hand to the members of his profession but has been of great help to the writing fraternity.

Goldman was never a champion, but one of the best in the business when he fought bantams, feathers and the top lightweights. No one was too heavy, too big or too good for him.

He tackled all comers and rolled up a proud record. Among his foes were K. O. Chaney, Patsy Brannigan, Kid Williams, Johnny Coulon, Patsy Kline, George Kitson, Knockout Brown, Phil McGovern, Young O'Leary, Joe Coster, Tommy Houck, Harry Forbes, Johnny Solsberg, and Packey Hommey, each a prominent figure in the pre-Walker Law days. He fought Kitson about sixty times.

The award to Goldman was made by Marciano, and no prouder man in the boxing game ever appeared before a delighted gathering. It was the highlight of a career that began at the age of fourteen.

EISENHOWER'S YOUTH PROGRAM LAUNCHED

If what was accomplished by civic minded citizens of Hardin, Montana, is an indication of the enthusiasm with which the people of our country are eager to strike at juvenile delinquency, then the movement launched by President Eisenhower is certain to be a success.

Hardin, a city close by the Crow Indian reservation in which vicinity Custer's army was annihilated, boasts of less than 4000 persons, yet it had the honor of inaugurating the Youth Program which our President has asked the sports writers of our nation to help organize.

Under the guidance of L. O. Wallin, a Hardin banker; Alvin Unberzadt and George Smith, Hardin businessmen; George Kochan, Coca Cola distributor in Montana; Sonny O'Day, a former boxer now chairman of the Montana Boxing Commission and the Catholic, Presbyterian and Lutheran clergy, two days athletic activities were arranged, topped by an amateur boxing program in which boxers from all parts of Montana competed. The affair drew a full house in the school auditorium, where Archie Moore performed as guest referee.

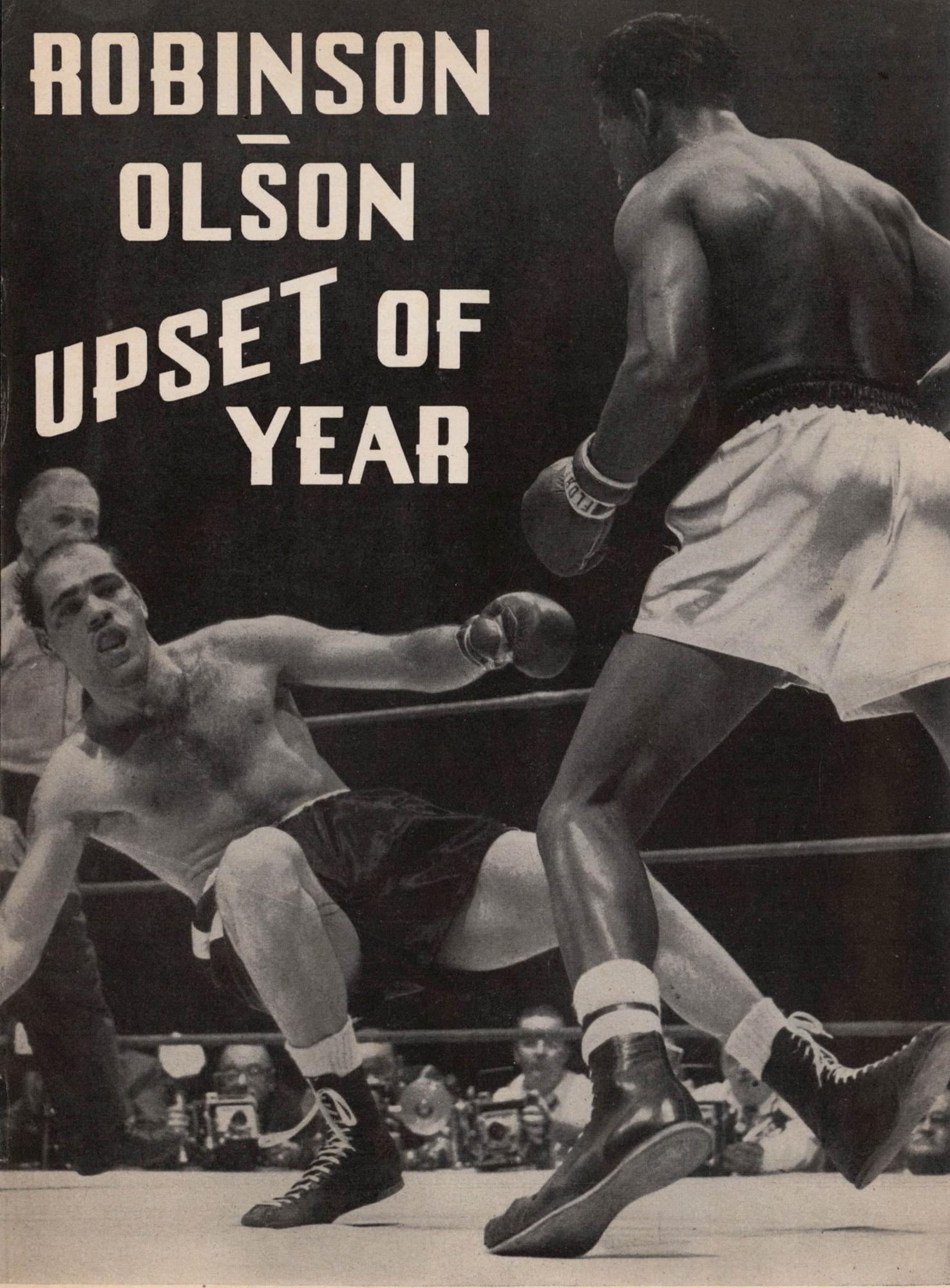
Freddy Saddy of the Wisconsin State Athletic Commission, and The Ring Editor helped the program with talks at a school forum and at a luncheon at the American Legion headquarters.

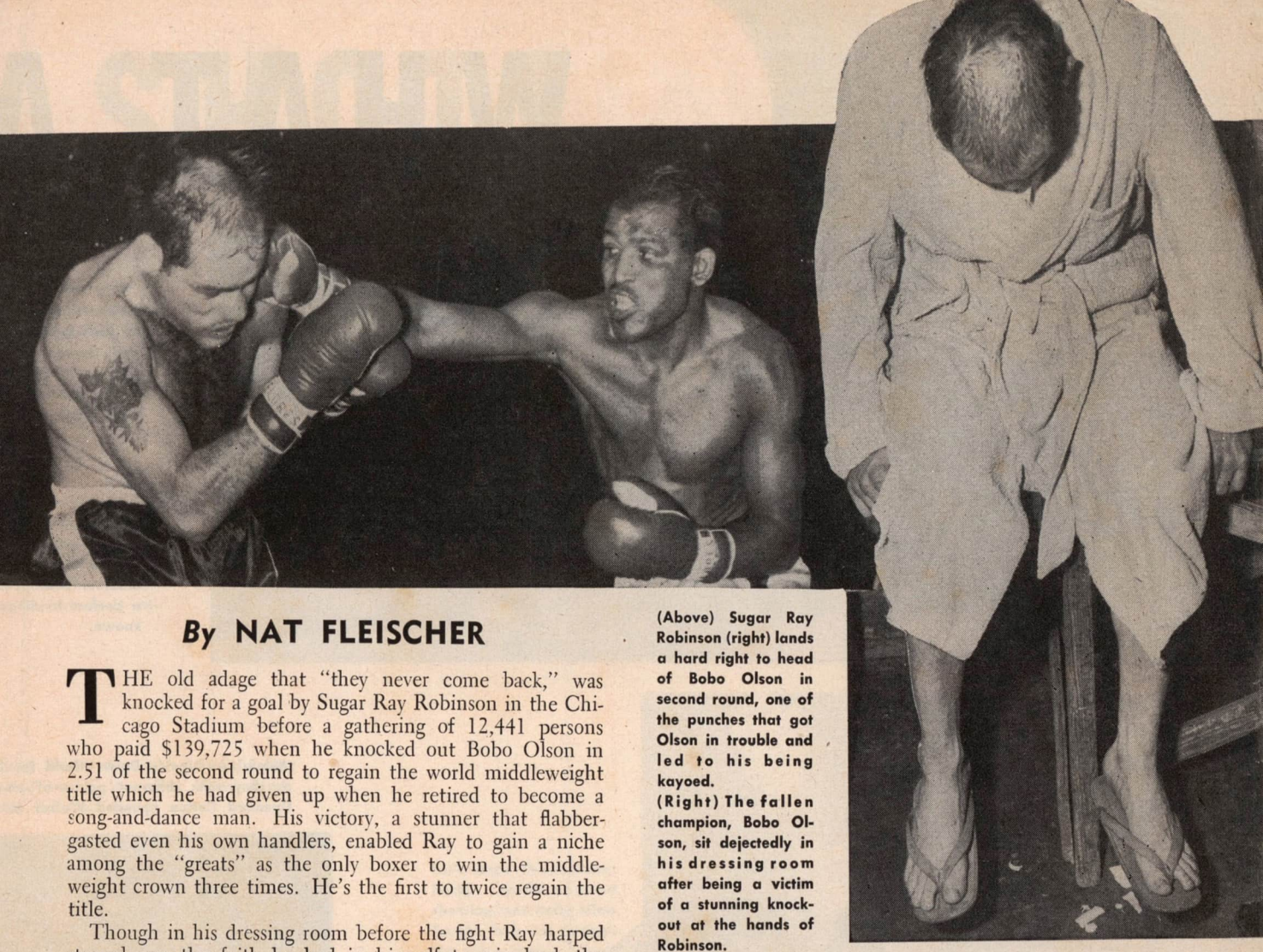
Connie Yerger helped Moore referee with Ralph Thornton of the Billings Y.M.C.A. and District Boxing Commissioner John Barrett of Roundup and Jerry Dundar, Billings Police Department, acting as judges.

In the feature bouts Howard Old Chief of Browning, a lightweight; Francie La Plante of Great Falls, a welter, won over Al Stensrus of Great Falls and Lyle Oswald of Hardin. Bruce Meyers of Billings beat Bert Roberts of Havre in a thrilling middleweight bout and Norm Ygnatowitz of Butte and Ted Pachecho, Helena, lightweights, drew in another well matched affair.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Due to lack of space in this issue, "The Annual Rating of Boxers" number, some of the reports of our correspondents and features have been either eliminated or cut down. We're sorry this had to be done. You'll find the usual coverage in our next issue. We will make up for leaving out the news of the Mat World by devoting more than the usual space to it in the March Issue.

ROBINSON — OLSON UPSET OF YEAR





By NAT FLEISCHER

THE old adage that "they never come back," was knocked for a goal by Sugar Ray Robinson in the Chicago Stadium before a gathering of 12,441 persons who paid $139,725 when he knocked out Bobo Olson in 2.51 of the second round to regain the world middleweight title which he had given up when he retired to become a song-and-dance man. His victory, a stunner that flabbergasted even his own handlers, enabled Ray to gain a niche among the "greats" as the only boxer to win the middleweight crown three times. He's the first to twice regain the title.

Though in his dressing room before the fight Ray harped strongly on the faith he had in himself to win back the crown, when he signed for the championship match, it is doubtful if he would have attempted the comeback after two years retirement, had he not been pressed financially. Now, with the title back in his hands, the crown resting on his head again, the fabulous fighting man who engaged in his thirteenth championship bout for the welter, middle, and light-heavyweight titles, can rest secure in the knowledge that his financial worries will soon be over. According to Joe Glaser, the theatrical promoter who kept Robinson bust for two years in the show business after Ray's 1952 retirement, "fortune awaits Ray."

Perhaps so. But not in a return bout with Olson who holds a contract for such to be fought within ninety days. If the drawn condition of Bobo as he faced his challenger and the downcast spirit he displayed both before and after the fight, are a criterion, it is doubtful if Bobo will go through with that return match. Even if he should it won't draw more than it did in Chicago.

In the Windy City bout, which drew far less than was expected, it was Ray who was held in such low esteem due to his long layoff, and the old accepted adage, "they never come back," but now that may be said of the man who was deposed by Robbie.

THE disappointing turnout in the Windy City, reflected the lack of interest. Likewise the odds that were as high as 8 to 1 against Robbie scoring a kayo and 4 to 1 against him winning.

The optimism of Glaser is not shared by Norris. He realizes that the field is wide open, with at least four good challengers, but reaching beyond the $350,000 isn't easy.

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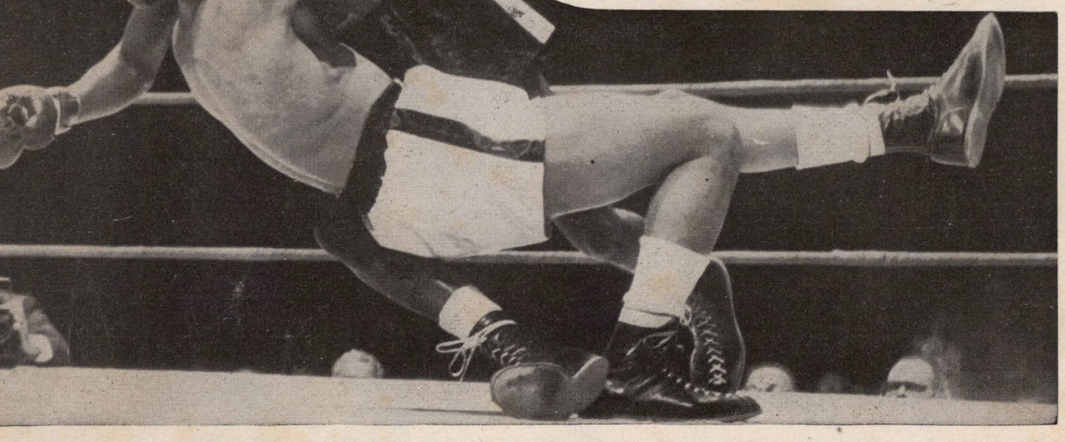
(Above) Sugar Ray Robinson (right) lands a hard right to head of Bobo Olson in second round, one of the punches that got Olson in trouble and led to his being kayoed.
(Right) The fallen champion, Bobo Olson, sit dejectedly in his dressing room after being a victim of a stunning knockout at the hands of Robinson.

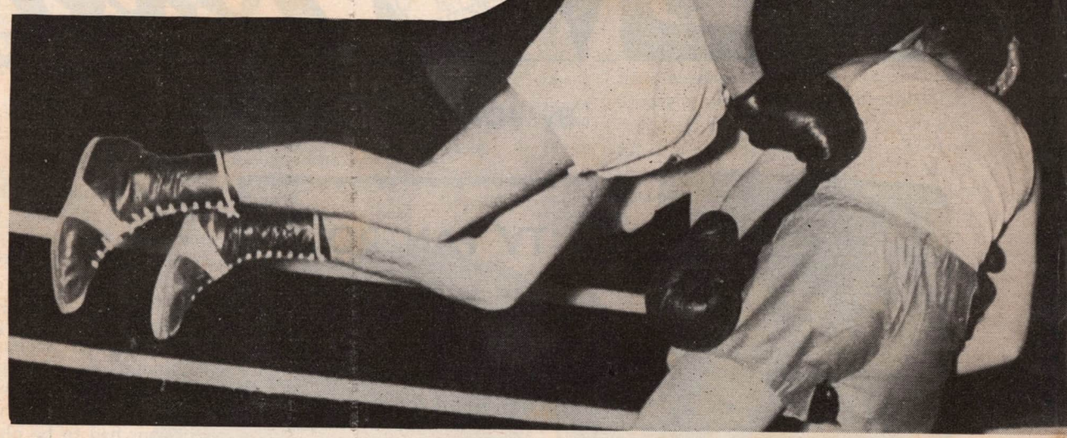
Bobo Olson (right) brushes the shoulder of Robinson with his right during first round of title fight as camera catches Sugar Ray's right ready to dig into Olson's body.

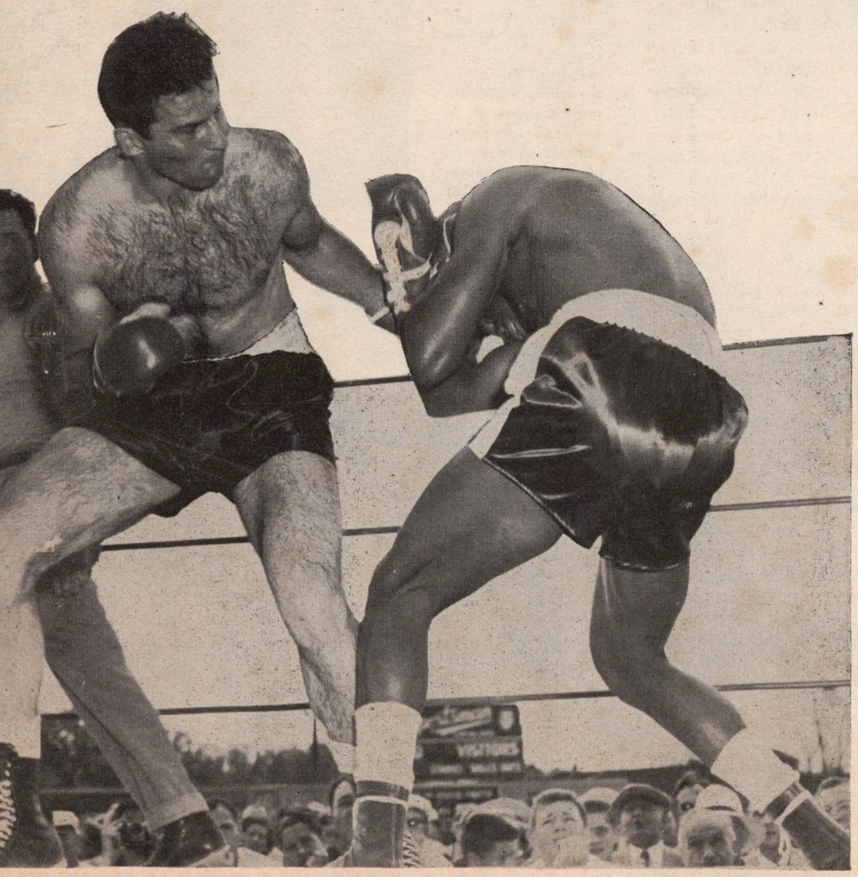
WHAT A SHOT!



(Left) Trips to the Canvas, were made by both fighters as Bobby Boyd (on top) and Georgie Johnson battled it out at Chicago Stadium. Both fighters were down in the riotous middleweight affair which saw Boyd stop Johnson in the eighth.

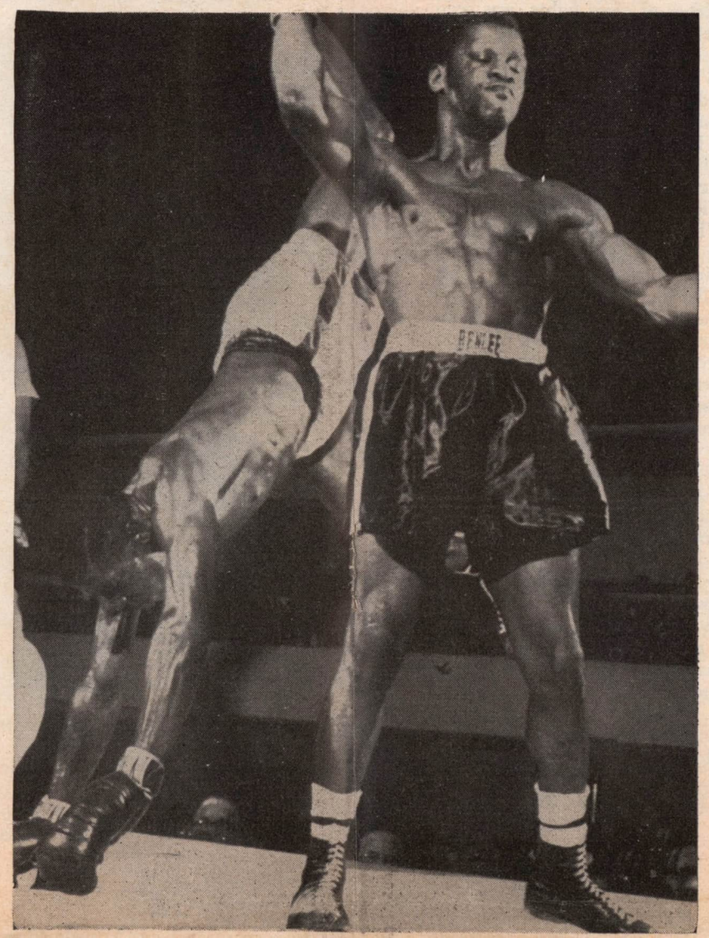
(Right) Air Attack. Gunnar Andersson of Sweden takes off in a jet-propelled attack on Germany's Konrad Rudhoff during amateur bout held in Stockholm. It was a perfect landing but final result is unknown.



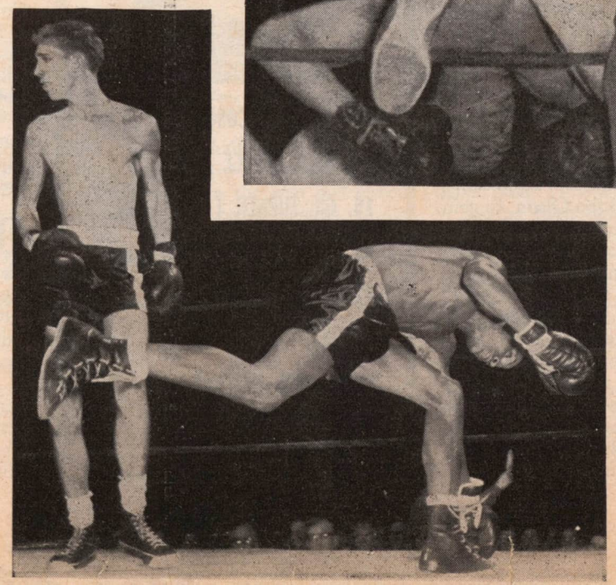


What's Strange About This? Well, Hans Friedrich (left) of Germany is standing up as he fights Howard King, who dropped him fourteen times in winning a ten round decision at Reno, Nev.

(Below) An Upside Down World for Sammy Walker (right) and Eddie Cotton as they took different points of view and battled it out at Miami Beach. Upended Cotton upended Walker to take the decision.



Let's Settle This Outside. Rocky Castellani (head showing) and Holly Mims fought their way through the ropes during a bout in Cleveland which was won by Castellani over twelve rounds.



Has Anyone Seen Ray? David Smith (left) looks perplexed over what seems to be a quick disappearance of opponent Ray Collins in a Golden Gloves bout at Huntington, W. Va. But Smith found him — and stopped him.

TV & Boxing

By JOHNNY SALAK

Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Yonkers, N. Y., middleweight, who made most network TV appearances during 1955, eight, including one which was a victory over Ray Robinson, who recently regained the middleweight crown.

TELEVISION became more firmly entrenched in boxing during the year 1955, though a saner and more stable program of weekly fights emerged from the conglomeration of shows that glutted the airwaves over the past few years.

With the list of nationally televised boxing shows pared to three a week, there has been an upgrade in the quality of performances fed to the video viewer, more noticeably in the latter half of the year when many thrilling encounters were seen on the shows of all three networks.

Among the most thrilling bouts seen on television during the past year were the Carmen Basilio-Tony DeMarco bouts for the welterweight championship, both of which ended in twelfth round kayoes for Basilio; Ray Robinson's stirring victory over Bobo Olson, to gain the middleweight crown for the third time; Archie Moore's kayo of Bobo Olson in a bout for the light heavyweight title; and the sock-'em and rock-'em battle between Bobby Boyd and Georgie Johnson, won by Boyd by a knockout in the eighth round, but not before both fighters ripped and roared through a series of staggering blows and catapulting knockdowns that had the end in doubt until the final punch.

Possibly the most important development during the year was the breaking down of barriers which finally brought commercial television to Great Britain and with it, a rash of TV'ed boxing events, both professional and amateur, which from the start seriously threatened the sport in that country. The first sponsored televised fight in England took place on September 22. From that point on, attendance and receipts were hard hit at shows in the United Kingdom, to a point where radical restrictions had to be placed on the televising of bouts. It is still too early to properly tell how much damage may, or may not, have been done, however.

TV FAN POLL

Below are listed the twenty most popular fighters seen on nationally televised bouts during 1955, according to mail received at our office. Figure in parenthesis denotes number of times fighter appeared on network TV during the year. Rocky Marciano has been excluded, as he has not been seen on home free-TV since 1953.

1. CARMEN BASILIO (5)
2. FLOYD PATTERSON (3)
3. ARCHIE MOORE (1)
4. ISAAC LOGART (6)
5. FRANKIE RYFF (4)
6. WILLIE PASTRANO (4)
7. RAY ROBINSON (3)
8. EDUARDO LAUSSE (3)
9. RALPH (TIGER) JONES (8)
10. TONY DE MARCO (3)
11. BOBBY BOYD (5)
12. CHUCK SPEISER (3)
13. CARMELO COSTA (6)
14. MILO SAVAGE (7)
15. GIL TURNER (6)
16. TOMMY JACKSON (5)
17. BOB BAKER (4)
18. BOB SATTERFIELD (2)
19. EZZARD CHARLES (6)
20. VIRGIL AKINS (4)

RALPH (TIGER) JONES, the Yonkers, N. Y., middleweight, who has lost a number of close fights, was seen most times on television during 1955, appearing eight times. Jones also made seven TV-fight appearances the year before and seven in 1953.

Milo Savage, another middleweight, from Salt Lake City, Utah, made seven network TV appearances during 1955. He had never been seen on the screens before. Tied at six performances each were Gil Turner, the Philadelphia middleweight; Isaac Logart, Cuban welter; Gene Poirer, Canadian middleweight; Ezzard Charles, former world heavyweight champion; Chico Vejar, Stamford, Conn., welterweight; and Carmelo Costa, Brooklyn, N. Y. featherweight.

Seen five times each were Danny Jo Perez, Tommy Jackson, Danny Giovanelli, Carmen Basilio, Gene Fullmer, Bobo Olson and Lulu Perez.

The 1954 TV leaders, Floyd Patterson and Al Andrews, screened nine and eight times respectively, were before the cameras only three times each.

DUE to the discontinuance of the Saturday Night Fights early in the year, after three shows, and the closing down of operations at Eastern Parkway Arena after May 16, there were only 166 network TV boxing shows during 1955, a drop of 43 from the total of 209 screened in 1954. Fifty-two were held at St. Nicholas Arena, and were seen over the DuMont Network. Eastern Parkway ran twenty over ABC-TV before closing, Saturday

Night Fights weighed in with three (ABC-TV), there were 24 Madison Square Garden Friday night shows (NBC-TV), twenty Friday night out-of-town shows over NBC-TV network, and forty-seven Wednesday Night Shows, seen over CBS-TV (the first sixteen) and ABC-TV.

The number of shows carried by the networks were: ABC-TV, 54; DuMont, 52; and NBC-TV, 44.

ONLY one fight, the bout in which middleweight champion Bobo Olson failed in an attempt to lift the light heavyweight crown from Archie Moore, sponsor-wise was important enough to command a figure of $100,000 for TV-radio rights during 1955. There were two in the previous year which reached the same figure, and both involved Olson, in title fights against Kid Gavilan and Rocky Castellani. The record amount for TV-radio rights, $300,000, belongs to the world heavyweight championship bout in which Rocky Marciano kayoed Jersey Joe Walcott in less than a round in 1953.

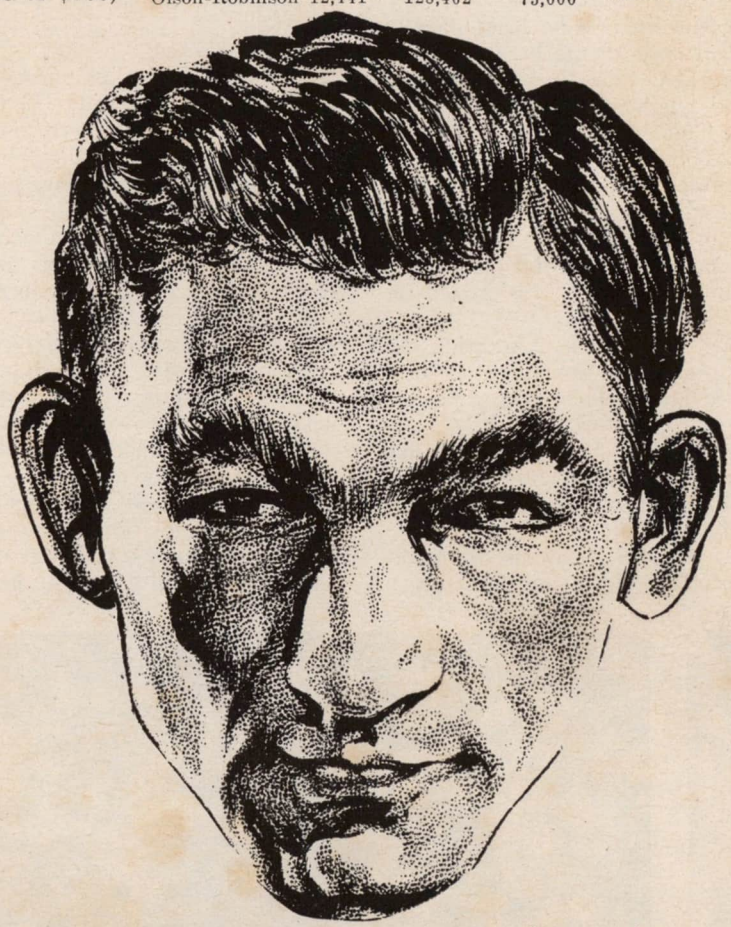
THEATRE-TV again grabbed off both world heavyweight championship fights, in which Rocky Marciano kayoed Don Cockell and Archie Moore. And while both produced records, the Cockell affair proved to be a box-office flop.

In the largest ever theatre-TV network show Marciano defeated Cockell. The bout was screened in 83 theatres in 59 cities, but did a disappointing gross of $350,000. Then in September, in a bout that captured the imagination of the world and brought about the return of the Million Dollar Gate, Marciano kayoed Moore in a bout seen in a record breaking 129 theatres. Over 350,000 persons paid a fantastic gross of $1,300,000 to view the fight in movie houses throughout the nation.

Televised studio events made rapid strides during the year and important sports interests studied the progress made in that direction with the possibility lingering that certain events in the future will be televised exclusively in that manner.

Below are listed some of the major fights of 1955 which were on home television, though in a number of cases they were blacked out in the immediate vicinity of the bout, with figures showing how the actual gross compared with the TV and/or radio take:

	Attendance	Gross Receipts	TV-Radio Revenue
Olson-Maxim..	13,276	$109,082	$ 50,000
Moore-Olson ..	27,435	206,784	100,000
Smith-Carter (1st)	1,983	8,750	30,000
Smith-Carter (2nd)	6,693	30,441	40,000
Saddler-Davis.	5,272	21,734	30,000
Robinson-Castellani	8,230	39,819	50,000
Basilio-DeMarco (1st)	9,170	119,944	45,000
Basilio-DeMarco (2nd)	13,373	171,800	50,000
Baker-Valdes .	8,380	63,392	45,000
Olson-Robinson	12,441	128,462	75,000



Carmen Basilio, world welterweight champion, whose two stirring knockout victories over Tony DeMarco, after he was on the brink of defeat, gained for him the TV Fan Popularity Award.

For a year and half studio fights were telecast weekly from Louisville over WAVE-TV and in the year just closed were added the weekly boxing studio program from Cleveland (WEWS), over which boxing guilds are staging a bitter battle, and studio wrestling from New York (DuMont Network). Studio boxing on television also was started in Tokyo, Japan (JOKR) in 1955.

Foreign countries televising boxing matches for the first time included Puerto Rico, on March 31, and Germany, on April 3. These are added to the growing list which includes Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Venezuela, Russia, Great Britain and France.

Of the fourteen world championship matches staged during 1955, ten of them were held in the United States. Seven of them were viewed on home free-TV. They were Saddler-Davis for the featherweight crown; the two Basilio-DeMarco bouts for welterweight honors; Moore-Olson for the light heavyweight title; the two Smith-Carter bouts for the lightweight championship; and the Olson-Robinson fight for the middleweight title. Two of them, for the heavyweight title, Marciano knocking out Don Cockell and Archie Moore, were screened exclusively for theatre-TV.

The lone world championship bout held in America which was not televised was Tony DeMarco's fourteen round kayo of Johnny Saxton, which made him welterweight champion.

Four world title bouts held outside the United States. Robert Cohen defended the bantamweight title against Willie Toweel in Johannesburg, So. Africa (ending in a fifteen rounds draw) and Pascual Perez defended his flyweight title against Alberto Barenghi and Leo Espinosa in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Yoshio Shirai in Tokyo, Japan. The Tokyo bout was televised in Japan.

Possibly the most important news came as we went to press, when Julius Helfand, through the New York State Athletic Commission, barred the powerful Managers' Guild from further organized activity. This leaves the television picture blurred and confused, with managers threatening to make New York a boxing ghost town by having their fighters campaign elsewhere, while promoters and sponsors are jittery over TV commitments that specify the bouts must emanate from the Big City. However, more and more of late the Friday night shows, possibly realizing some such move, have been coming from places other than famed Madison Square Garden in New York. This past year, for instance, there were twenty-four shows from the Garden on Friday night over NBC-TV, and twenty from other towns.

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The reason? It's difficult to convince the public that the sensational knockout of Olson has proved that Ray is back in the form that made him so famous prior to his retirement. Of all his thirteen world championship bouts, the one with Olson was his easiest and his swiftest. He didn't have to exert himself to prove he was master nor to prove any of the points raised by his critics.

It was a contest in which the champion played right into the hands of his challenger. Robbie had trained for a bout in which he hoped to land the kayo wallop so that the fight wouldn't have to go the limit and Olson had trained for a long contest on which he hoped to wear down his opponent who it was generally figured couldn't go fifteen rounds.

But Robbie upset the applecart by depending on his fists instead of his legs to gain his objective.

"I planned to box him and take pot shots at him at every opportunity," said Ray when interviewed after the bout. "I knew I could hurt him because he had difficulty making weight but he made it easy for me by altering his style. He started pressing the fight from the opening gong and tossing rights at me and I figured I would watch for an opening. When it came, I quickly took advantage of it and you know the result."

That fits the picture. It's exactly what happened.

Olson, 27 years old, showed determination to fight in close. He crowded Robbie in an effort to overpower his 35 year old challenger at close quarters. He did the leading but found in his adversary an opponent who was primed for such tactics.

Ray, with graceful counter punching, kept meeting the bull-like drives with neatly placed left shots to the head but when hard pressed, leaped into a clinch as a protective measure.

Ray, on his toes and sharp with his left, looked much like the old Ray during the short time the bout lasted. Whether he could have continued to display that form, had the bout lasted longer, is a matter of conjecture.

The flash knockout, hitting the champ and the spectators like a thunderbolt, so unexpectedly did it come, left much unsettled in the minds of those who were trying to figure out after the contest what had happened to Carl Olson, a rough, capable ringman, who in his climb to the top exhibited tenaciousness, courage, excellent boxing qualities, a pretty good punch and aggressiveness. They were as much perplexed as was the fallen champion.

The fight really ended with the first solid blow landed by either. It started with a right to the jaw that staggered the champion. Then, like a flash, came a left hook and seconds later followed a right hook to the jaw that put Bobo flat on his back. Ray didn't have to account for the condition of his legs over the longer route. There was no indication if the extra rounds had been necessary if his stamina would have been sufficient. His fists put those into the background.

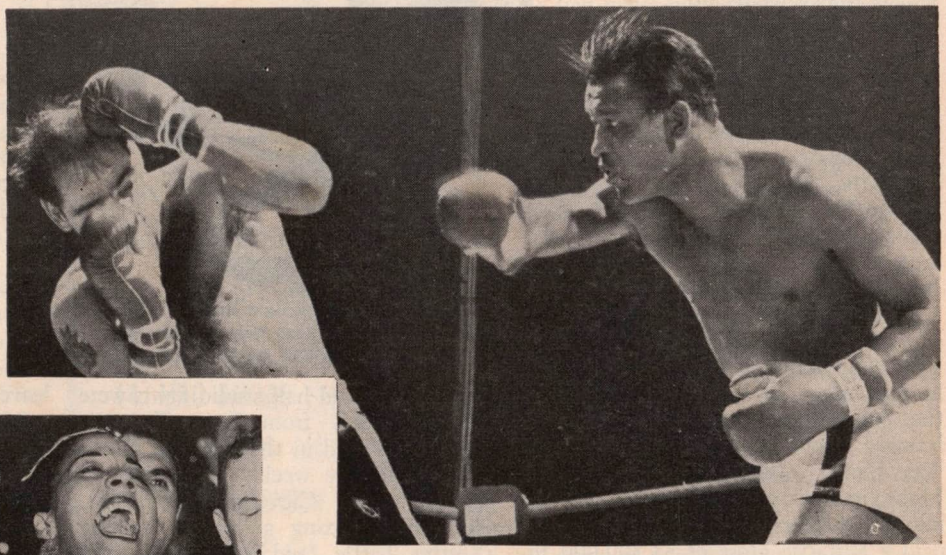
His sensational triumph, rates one of the great feats of all time in fistic history. Like the three titles held simultaneously by Henry Armstrong, Sugar Ray's win places him in a unique class. His triple triumph, like that of Homicide Hank, stands out like the peak of a mountain.

IN rewriting that old adage, "they never come back," Ray was magnificent. His timing in the opening round in which he boxed cleverly and displayed confidence in his every move, was a reminder of the man at his best, the Sugar Ray to whom we have so often referred to as the best, pound-for-pound fighter in many years.

He seemed to have miraculously recaptured his youth at an age when most boxers hang up their gloves for good. He turned back the clock in one savage attack that lasted only seconds, but the barrage was long enough to rock his adversary to sleep and bring up a new title holder.

So rapidly were the final blows delivered that even the ringside reporters were uncertain how many landed and what the punches were. It was the speed with which Ray unloosed them, that created the confusion.

The stupendous upset came at a time when boxing could well stand the uplift. The fight created new interest in the middleweight division. It brought to life a class that has been noted for its thrilling bouts, upsets, sensational finishes and colorful fighters. And now with Ray on top again,



(Upper left) Smiling Sugar Ray Robinson is congratulated after his victory, which brought him the world middleweight title for the third time. (Above) Bobo Olson (left) gives ground and begins to wilt under a barrage of blows tossed by Robinson. (Left) Tears of joy and shouts of glee are emotions shown by Mrs. Ray Robinson who, sitting at ringside, watched her husband make one of the greatest comebacks of all time.

things are certain to hum in this class.

In addition to two colorful foreigners, Charley Humez, European title holder who hails from France and Eduardo Lausse, Central and South American hard hitting champion, there are several top men in our own country who are suitable opponents for the new champ. There's Tiger Jones who beat Robbie in his only loss in Ray's comeback; young Joey Giambra, who ended his soldier stint the day of the Olson-Robinson fight and lost a close decision to Bobo in California and Rocky Castellani of Cleveland, who dropped Sugar Ray in losing a close verdict in ten rounds.

IT was on December 18, 1952 that Robinson announced his retirement and on January 5, 1955 he started the comeback trail. Heavy losses in his theatrical venture and the call of Uncle Sam for heavy taxes, brought him out of retirement.

He engaged in six bouts. He stopped Joe Rindone in six rounds; lost to Tiger Jones in 10; beat Johnny Lombardo in ten; stopped Ted Olla in three; won from Garth Panther in ten and from Rocky Castellani in ten. Though the last named was a split decision victory, it gained the title shot for Robbie. Castellani floored Ray in the bout.

In the first meeting between Ray and Olson on October 26, 1950, Robinson kayoed Bobo in the twelfth round. On March 13, 1952, Sugar Ray won from Bobo in Fifteen rounds. The Chicago bout was their third.

The nearest approach in recent years to the Chicago upset, was that in Pittsburgh when aged Jersey Joe Walcott knocked out Ezzard Charles to win the world heavyweight title four years ago. The difference however, rests in the fact that Robbie's accomplishment came after an absence of two years.

ROBINSON'S championship career in the middleweight sector started with his knockout of Jake La Motta in Chicago on February 14, 1951, in the 13th round. He lost the crown to Randy Turpin on July 10, 1951, in London in 15 rounds and regained it from Turpin on September 12, 1951 at the Polo Grounds by a knockout in the tenth round. Then his bout with Olson.

Robinson, whose correct name is Walker Smith, was at the peak of his career from 1941 to 1951. During that time he exhibited every asset of a great fighter and was classified as such. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, May 3, 1920 but has been living in New York since early childhood.

He gained his knowledge of boxing in the Salem Crescent A. C. as an amateur and won the Golden Gloves feather and lightweight titles for his organization. He turned pro in 1940 and was a success from the start.

His pro career embraces 144 bouts of which he lost only four. Two of his contests were draws and one, a no-decision bout.

RING QUESTION BOX

L. Leffler, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Q—Is it true that Floyd Patterson defeated two or three opponents in one day to win the Olympic title?

▶A—*No. Patterson fought four bouts in winning the heavy middleweight (165-lb.) title in the 1952 Olympics held in Helsinki, Finland, but none on the same day. He drew a bye in the first round, won a three rounds decision from Omar Tebbaka of France, kayoed Leonardus Jansen of Holland in one, won on disqualification in three from Stig Sjolin of Sweden and, in the finals scored a twenty second kayo of Vasile Tita of Rumania.*

Tony Alico, U.S.S. Maloyede 791

Q—How many fights has Nate Brooks had and what is his complete record? Did Olson stop Ralph Tiger Jones? Has Jones ever been knocked out?

▶A—*Brooks has had sixteen fights to date. He won seven by decisions, was stopped twice, lost four bouts and scored three knockouts.*

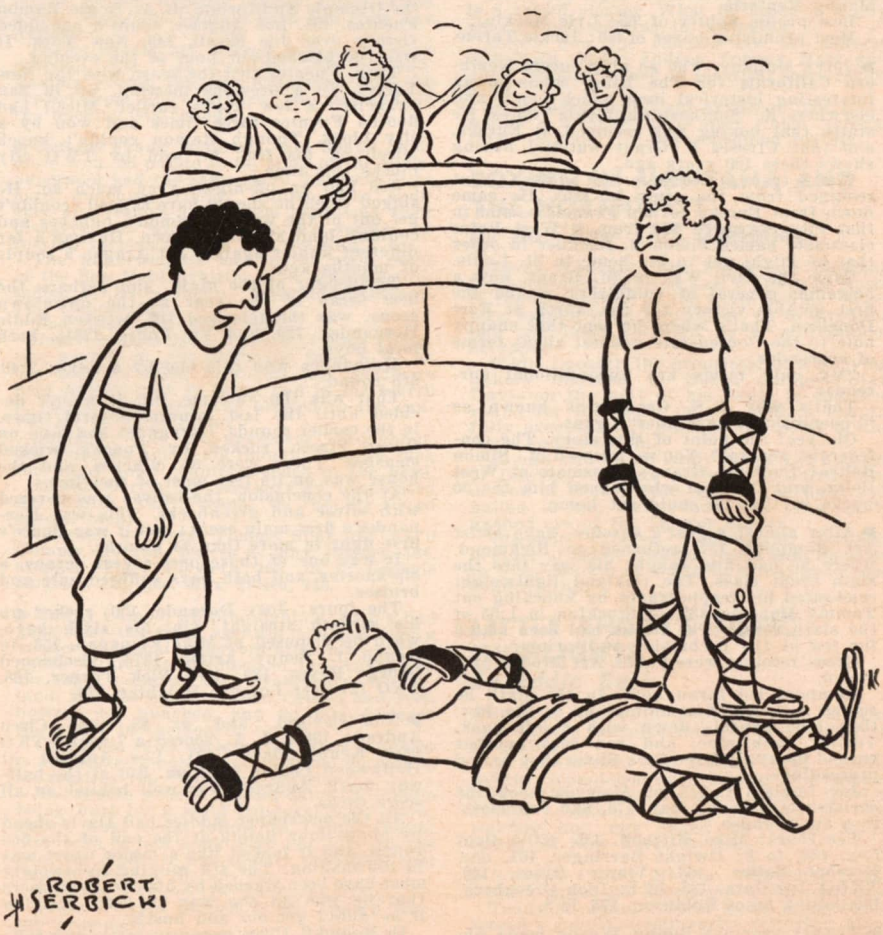
Jones lost in 10 rounds to Olson. He has been stopped only once, in 1951 by Henry Burroughs in a round.

Arthur Kavin, New York City.

Q—How many fights did Victor McLaglen have in Great Britain?

▶A—*I haven't his complete record available. He fought Frank Goddard in the National Sporting Club of London and was defeated. He quit in the seventh round.*

A Roamin' Mayor. Tony DeMarco (right), former world welterweight champion who recently was defeated in an attempt to regain the crown from Carmen Basilio, is greeted by Salvatore Rebicchini, mayor of Rome, Italy, who was making a tour of Boston's "Little Italy" section.



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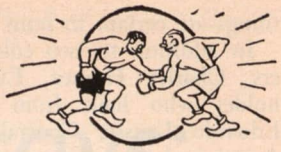


By BILL MILLER

AL WEILL, in town for three or four hectic days, made the sports headlines here by announcing that he'd like to hold Marciano's next fight in Los Angeles. And he wasn't kidding.

Available for a Marciano fight is the L. A. Memorial Coliseum, which seats over 103,000 for a football match, and which could hold 30,000 more for a boxing show. Promoter Cal Eaton, of the Olympic Auditorium, told Weill that he'd equal or better any terms he received from any other source for a Marciano match.

"Put that in writing," said the cagey Weill.

▶ Good news for local promoters: a new sports arena is being built in Los Angeles, an $8,200,000 structure in the heart of the city. It will seat 21,000 for boxing shows: 17,000 for basketball, and 34,000 for a convention.

Said arena will be located on the grounds of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, facing Figueroa Street on the east, bounded on the north by South Coliseum Drive and on the south by South Park Drive.

Not a single post in the structure; every seat will be individual, opera-type, upholstered. It will take about 11 months to build, according to Bill Nicholas, Coliseum manager.

That means the new L. A. Arena will be ready for business on January 1, 1957—barring accidents, earthquakes, wars and the like.

▶ Thanks to that good guy, Jack Fiske of the San Francisco Chronicle, here are the Russ Newland Memorial Awards made by the Northern California Boxing Writers Association; Northern California only:

Man who contributed most to boxing, 1955: Chuck Joseph.

Outstanding boxer of 1955: Joe Lopes.

Best fight of 1955: Freddy Amoroso vs. Manny Renteria.

Best prelim fighter of '55: Lyle Mackin.

Most promising boxer of '55: Jackie Torme.

▶ Jerry Mullany, who so ably covers Northern California for The Ring, sends in an interesting historical item which you'll find elsewhere in "Southern California" notes. He states that boxing was resumed at Eureka, and that Ulysses S. Grant watched boxing shows there 100 years ago.

That's true. Also true is this oddity: Grant resigned from the army in 1855. He came down from Eureka to San Francisco, and in that city borrowed $50 from a West Point classmate named Simon B. Buckner in order that he might get to his home in St. Louis.

Came the Civil War in '61. Grant, now a brigadier general of volunteers, scored the first notable victory for the North at Fort Donelson. That's where he sent that snappy note to the Confederate general about terms of surrender:

"My only terms are unconditional surrender."

That's why U. S. Grant was known as "Unconditional Surrender" Grant.

Oh, yes: the point of this story. The confederate general? You've guessed it. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Grant's classmate at West Point, and the man who loaned him the 50 bucks so that he could get home.

▶ After almost a year's absence, kayo artist Art Ramponi, 137, returned to Richmond, where he had first fought his way into the main event class. The Oakland lightweight celebrated his reappearance by knocking out Tommy Manaois, 135, of Stockton in 1:55 of the sixth round. The fracas had been slated for ten at the Richmond Auditorium.

Gross receipts were $1,978. Art Broder promoted.

Ramponi led throughout. In the sixth he scored a series of combinations to the jaw, then put Manaois down with a left hook. Tommy took nine, and ran into another wicked flurry. Referee Jack Silver then halted proceedings.

Joe Louis III, 177, of Alameda, took the decision over Sonny Ray, 175, San Francisco, in a six rounder.

The fours: Mike Mitchell, 135, KO'd Paul Cox, 139, in 3; Dwight Barringer, 161, dec. Hershel Bailey, 163; Vinnie Hines, 139, TKO'd Joe Gara, 135, in 2; Dick Greenberg, 173, halted Amos Robinson, 175, in 3.

▶ Twenty-year-old Bobby Woods made his 90th professional fight an easy one to remember when he cut down Vince Bonomo, New Orleans, in the 8th round at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Woods, born in Los Angeles, weighed 137; Bonomo, 140½.

It was Bobby's third straight kayo win; in recent weeks he had stopped Lavert Smith in 8, and Felix Coleman in 4.

When Referee Lee Grossman stopped the fight, in the 8th, there wasn't a dissenting vote. It was the first kayo of Bonomo's career.

Tiger McHenry, 175, decisioned Johnny Hayden, 174, in the six-round semi. The fours: Ernie Fields, 187½, dec. Clarence Williams, 193; Jesse James, 140, TKO (1) over Gene Tortorice, 141; and Rudy Mendoza, 140½, decisioned Billy Blevins, 140.

▶ Young Jack Johnson, 208, state heavyweight champ, still rules the roost, following his impressive 5-round TKO win over Zora Folley, 189, at the Olympic Auditorium. Johnson's title was at stake; somewhere along the line, he busted one of Zora's ribs. At least, that was the opinion of Dr. Robert Rocke, club medic.

Johnson never looked better. That is, he seems clumsy and unwieldly, but somehow or other he gets down in front. Punches he sheds like a duck sheds acqua pura; there's nothing showy or exciting about him or his style. But he's a good guy to wager on. You'll hear more of this kid.

Folley had engaged in eight fights this year, won 7 by kayo, and was favored to win.

In the TV ten, Rory Calhoun, 158½, stopped Charley Salas, 154, in the 8th round —Salas' first failure to answer the final bell in 174 fights as a pro. Look it up in the book, pages 642-3, 1955 Boxing Bible. It was Rory's 16th pro fight, Salas' 175th. Calhoun had a big edge on points.

The fours: Al Wilcher, 120, dec. Tony Herrera, 121½; Eddie Jenkins, 185, dec. Richard Jones, 180; Johnny Hobbs, 134, dec. Leo Mancinas, 133½.

A crowd of 4,582 paid a gross of $6,590 at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., to see Ramon Fuentes, 151, Los Angeles, score a one-sided victory over Joe Miceli, 149, New York. It was the blacked-out bout of the evening.

Thus, Fuentes tied the score with the New Yorker. In a previous meeting, up in San Francisco a few weeks earlier, Miceli had floored Fuentes three times and won by a city block. Though Ramon couldn't knock Miceli off his feet, he won by TWO city blocks this time.

Joe had an off-night, very much so. He zigged when he should have zagged; couldn't get out of the way of Ramon's punches and couldn't land any of his own. He was a far different fighter against Art Aragon a couple of months ago.

Thrill-fight of the night, and perhaps the best scrap of the year at the downtown arena, was the televised tiff between Eddie Hernandez, 129, and Vic Ponce, 128½, both local boys.

Hernandez won this one by a kayo; 2:40, 6th round.

That was the outcome, but it wasn't decided until the last minute. Several times, in the earlier rounds, Hernandez had been on Queer Street, rocked by Ponce's wicked smashes. There were no clinches, and the house was on its feet most of the time.

At the conclusion, the canvas was covered with silver and greenbacks. This was Hernandez's first main event; and it was Ponce's first fight in more than 14 months.

It was one of those once-a-year scraps, a rip-snorter, and both boys suffered cuts and bruises.

The fours: Joey Dorando, 150, racked up his seventh straight win, his sixth kayo, when he disposed of Mike Flanagan, 153, in Round 1. Benny Artist, 137¾, decisioned George Reyes, 139; and Nick Turner, 168, TKO (2) over Lorenzo Heighter, 175.

▶ Non-televised, and at $8 top, Cisco Andrade, 136¼, L. A., scored a 7-round TKO over Kenny Davis, 131, Los Angeles, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. But at the halfway mark, Andrade was well behind on all score cards.

All the newspaper laddies had Davis ahead by about four points at the end of the 5th round, and it looked like a major upset was in the making. The 4th ranking lightweight must have been warned by his corner advisers that he was on the way to fistic oblivion if he didn't get out and hustle.

In Round 6, Cisco began to rattle and roll; he turned killer-diller. He started the heat with a right uppercut to the head; followed this with a two-fisted barrage. Blood poured from Kenny's nose and mouth as the round ended. In the 7th, an overhand right opened a deep gash over Kenny's eye.

Few thought that the ex-marine would weather the storm, but he did. However, Referee Mushy Callahan, after a consultation with Davis' manager, George Parnassus, halted the fight before the gong sounded for Round 8.

There was some high-financing on the part of Manager Parnassus. According to reports he had guaranteed Andrade $7,500, and taken 60 percent of the gate. Announced gross was $17,554. This later suffered a downward revision to about $15,000.

Obviously, Parnassus didn't get rich on his gamble, for the net pay-off was on something less than $13,000. There was a report that Andrade's manager, Ralph Gambina, had kicked back a portion of his $7,500 guarantee to the loser, and that Davis had finally wound up with something like $1,500. Quien sabe!

Vince Delgado, 137, racked up his 10th straight win in the semi when he stopped Cleo Lane, 135, in the 5th round of a scheduled eight-spot. Delgado is a nephew of Carlos Chavez.

The fours: Eddie Asti, 145, drew with Forrest Davis, 150; Dave Cochran, 150, TKO (2) over Joe Brooks, 154; and Jesse Resendez, 134, TKO (4) over Joey Smyser, 133.

▶ A last minute substitute almost stole the show in San Jose. Jorge Macias, Mexican Welter, filling in for injured Ralph Dupas, put widely heralded Star Gony on the deck for a five count in the second round. The light and welterweight champion of the Orient survived this indignity, and went on to take the 10 round decision from Macias. Weights, Gony, 138; Macias, 141.

They fought in the main event at San Jose's Civic Auditorium. Promoters Babe Griffin and Abe Acquistapace listed $3,500 gross on their cash register tape.

Referee Jack Silver gave Gony a 58-52 point advantage in his score.

Manuel Garcia, 139, San Jose, outpointed Danny Valentine, 146, Stockton, in a six rounder. In another six, Toby Alvarado, 151, San Jose, decisioned Alvin Payne, 147, Stockton.

Dick Lopez, 120, dec. Georgie Angeles, 121, in 4.

▶ On the strength of a good record in the Rocky Mountain states, and the fact that he had never been knocked off his feet, heavyweight Max Chris of Toeele, Utah, was invited to Richmond, Calif., as the foe of Eddie Machen. The California prospect made the first big dent in Chris' record by knocking the Utahan out in 1.09 of the first round.

The program, promoted by Johnny Munro, drew $2,618 worth of customers to Richmond's Memorial auditorium. The contest had been slated for ten rounds. Weights: Machen, 195; Chris, 185.

A short left hook flush on the chin stretched Chris in a neutral corner, where he was counted out by Referee Jack Downey.

Customers showered the ring with money after a bristling encounter in which Gil Padilla, 165, won a decision from Tommy Villa, 168.

Prelim fours: Stan Perez, 138, stopped Joe D'Avie, 137, in 2; Mutt Goodwin, 145, dec. Bob Rubi, 152; Sonny Ray, 179, outpointed Rico Brooks, 175.

▶ Pimi Barajas, also known as Pimi Barajas Jimenez, 116, Tijuana, wrecked the American debut of Danny Kid, 117, Philippines, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., in a thriller. It was the blacked out bout of the program.

It was an important win for Pimi. Danny Kid was listed. No. 3 in the authoritative ratings of Nat Fleischer, your friend and mine, in the January issue of The Ring, while the 18-year-old Pimi doesn't even get honorable mention. This little Mexican will bear watching. He reminds me of the Baby Arizmendi I saw, more than 20 years ago: a two-fisted crowd-pleaser, and a real good prospect.

Danny Kid had floored world champion Pascal Perez, down in Buenos Aires a couple of weeks earlier, and for that reason, as well as his high ranking, he was favored in the betting. However, it was no walkaway; there were many who opined that a draw was more in order.

In the TV ten, Bobby Woods, 143, racked

up another kayo victory when he stopped Lavert Smith, 143, Los Angeles, in the 8th round of a scheduled ten. Woods started slowly, as usual, but got into high gear as the fight progressed.

The 20-year-old Woods is one of my favorite fighters; I've seem him in about 20 of his 80-some fights, and he has always provided action and excitement.

The fours: Al Wilcher, 120, decisioned Rocky Fantonette, 125; Tomahawk Turner, 132½, decisioned Jeff Palma, 132; and Billy Frazier, 135, drew with James Jackson, 136½.

▶ Young Jack Johnson, 206½, Los Angeles—he's state heavyweight champ—had very little trouble in defeating Marty Marshall, 178, Chicago, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. It wasn't a thriller, but this boy Johnson is a better fighter than many folks think.

Al Perez, 146½, TKO (2) over Nelson Levering, 145½, in the semi, scheduled for six. The fours: Freddi Milton, 171, TKO (4) over Monroe Radcliff, 174; Joe Aabasta, 142, dec. Jesse Williams, 137½, and Larry Rosadrilla, 145, dec. Herman Beasley, 143.

▶ Richmond, the only Northern California city to have an almost continuous weekly boxing program record for 1955, has a new promoter. He is Art Broder, who took up the spot recently vacated by the popular Chuck Joseph.

In the first Broder promotion, Howard King, 180, Reno, battled Roger Rischer, 182, Oakland, to a ten round draw. Ex-middleweight champ Fred Apostoli refereed, and scored it 55-55.

Gross receipts were $1,698.

It was the third meeting of the heavyweights. King was behind as the last round opened, but the Nevadan took this session to even up matters. King had won the two previous encounters with Rischer.

In the 6 round semi-final, Jim Cody, 160, outpointed Hank Casey, 154. In the other scheduled six Gil Padilla, 165, arose from a first round knockdown to stop Dave Nolan, 164, in the fifth.

Results of fours: Dwight Barringer, 159, TKO'd Benny Rodriguez in 2; Chuck Osuna, 152, dec. Benny Guiles, 150.

▶ A desperate closing rally enabled Charley Green, 165, Los Angeles, to nab a split decision over Esau Ferdinand, 165½, San Francisco, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. It was the sixth meeting of these two gents, and the score now stands three-all.

There was considerable dissension with the verdict. Referee Charley Randolph voted for Green, 56-54; Judge Dynamite Jackson also cast his vote for Green, 55½-54½, but Judge Tommy Hart was in sharp disagreement. He voted for Ferdinand, 57-53.

Who, me? I'd certainly not have given Ferdinand anything worse than a draw. Thought he had the edge, in fact.

There was plenty of punchin', but no knockdowns, in this blacked-out 10-rounder.

In the televised ten, Ruben Salazar, 130½, scored the unanimous decision over Julian Velasquez, 131, La Habra. It was their fourth meeting, and Salazar's third win in the series. Their preceding fights were close, but there was no question about this one.

Referee Tommy Hart scored it 58½-51½; Judges Charley Randolph and Dynamite Jackson turned in identical cards, 58-52.

Salazar suffered a gashed eye in the third; smart corner work by his manager, Frankie Muche, kept it under control.

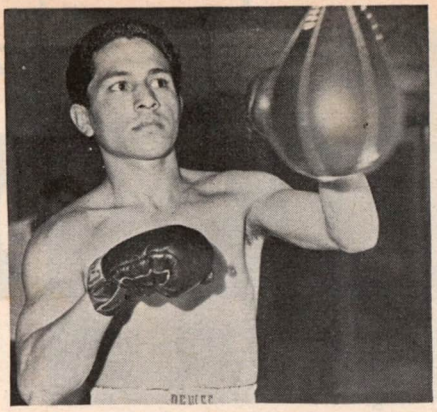
The fours: Billy Frazier, 134½, decisioned Al Garibay, 131½; Eddie Jenkins, 170, decisioned Alvin White, 172; and Forrest Davis, 149, decisioned Jake Sanchez, 149½.

▶ Ramon Tiscarena, 146, Juarez, was 2½-1 choice over Henry Davis, 139, Los Angeles, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and lived up to those odds. The verdict was unanimous, but Ramon didn't impress the fans too much with this particular win. He's looked better, in some of his other fights. It was his 11th win in 12 starts this year.

In the semi-final, Clyde Watson, 174, and Willard Henry, 167½, went to a "technical" draw in the 4th, when Henry was accidentally butted. It was scheduled for six. The fours: Al Wilcher, 122½, duked Rocky Fontanette, 123; Dave Cochran, 149, KO (1) over Paul Fischback, 148½; and Rudy Mendoza, 140, dec. Joe Smyser, 140.

▶ Westernmost city in the U. S. is Eureka, Calif., and it is reported that Captain Ulysses S. Grant witnessed boxing bouts when he was stationed there nearly 100 years ago. But there had been a fistic lull in Eureka for the past two years. Lightweights Art Ramponi and Teddy Hall put the Lumber City back on the pugilistic map with a spirited ten-rounder.

Ramponi, 134, from Oakland, could not land his vaunted KO punch, but he put Hall on the deck for a short count in the second. Hall, 132, Seattle, crouched and maneuvered deftly enough to make Ramponi fall back on jabbing tactics. Point score consensus for Ramponi was 58-51. John Mora refereed.



Cisco Andrade, the Compton Comet, well behind on all scorecards in his bout with Kenny Davis, pulled it out of the fire by halting his opponent in the seventh round.

Kenny Johnson in his debut as a promoter counted a gross of $1,562. The program was held in Eureka's new municipal auditorium.

The semi-main ended in the fourth. Hank Casey, 155, San Francisco, floored Buzz Brown, 148, Seattle, and the referee halted proceedings. Bout had been slated for six.

Carl Brunson, 138, decisioned Vinnie Hines, 138, in six. Yo Yo Lewis, 146, outpointed Jim Stevens, 154, in four.

▶ Arena attendance at nationally televised bouts is usually noted for its skimpiness, so Promoter Johnny Munro was happily surprised when $6,082 worth of customers came to Oakland's Auditorium to see the program headlined by Johnny Saxton and Ralph "Tiger" Jones. After the TV audience saw Saxton win a ten round decision over Jones, Frankie Campos, 122, squared off with Vic Eisan, 121, in a scheduled ten-rounder.

Campos sent his admirers home early. He knocked Eisan down twice in the opening round, and when he dropped his foe again in the second, Referee Johnny Lotsy called a halt. Eisan and Campos both hail from Los Angeles.

Jimmy Savala, 141, Merced, won a six round decision over Lou Castillo, 143, Oakland. Tommy Flores, 138, San Francisco, took the verdict from Chico Arroyo, 140, Oakland, in the opening six-rounder.

▶ Referee Frank Manfredo said Frank Skidmore won, 56 points to 54. Most of the newspapermen had the same score, but gave it to hard punching Jimmy Dupree. The audience at Fresno's auditorium expressed their disagreement with the referee's verdict by tossing various articles into the ring.

The welterweights met in the main event of the Sun Maid Athletic Club program promoted by Babe Griffin. Weights: Skidmore, 148; Dupree, 147.

The gross gate was $1,650.

Dupre, compactly built warrior from Compton, near L. A., put Skidmore, from S. F., on the floor for eight in round two. Skidmore held Dupree even in three, and in the fourth it was Dupree who was blasted to the canvas for an eight count.

Skidmore was the aggressor throughout, but Dupree's adherents thought Frankie took too many solid counterpunches to the head.

Manuel Garcia, 140, Mexico City, outpointed Art Smith, 141, Fresno, in the six-round special event.

Outcome of fours: Tommy Sims, 162, KO'd Tommy Morgan, 164, in 2; Max Jeremy, 164, stopped Tiger Flowers, 169, in 1; Georgie Angeles, 125, dec. Max Telles, 125.

▶ Tanny Campo, Filipino bantam, with a bad gash near the right eye, did not look like a winner to casual observers after his exciting battle with Luke Sandoval of Los Angeles in the main event at San Francisco's Winterland. But the officials ruled Campo had been butted, not punched, and he was declared the victor in the fourth round.

California rules declare that when a fighter is accidentally butted and is ahead on points, he receives the "technical decision."

The fourth session started out with Campo being hurt by a solid Sandoval body blow. Before Luke could follow up, Campo caught him with a left hook that put him on the floor for eight. It was shortly thereafter that Campo received the eye cut.

Weights, Campo, 119; Sandoval, 119½.

Gross receipts totaled $2,582. Jimmy Murray promoted.

Eli Scott, 119, San Francisco, Golden Gloves regional titleholder, made a success of his pro debut. He scored a fourth round TKO over Luis Espinosa, 115, Los Angeles. This was a scheduled six-rounder.

In the fours: Dick Greenberg, 177, dec. Freddie Hunt, 183; Mike Mitchell, 134, outpointed Elmo Ellis, 138; Dwight Barringer, 158, stopped Al Loretz, 153, in 4; Jimmy Abeyta, 112, halted Jackie Herrera, 115, in 2.

▶ Referee Ray Flores of San Francisco is not related to lightweight Tommy Flores of Stockton, but quite often Ray has the ticklish job of rendering a decision in one of Tommy's bouts. At Fresno Memorial Auditorium Tommy saved Ray this task by knocking out Manny Garcia in the eighth round. The main event had been slated for ten.

Babe Griffin promoted. Gross receipts: $1,214.

Flores, racking up his 29th victory in 31 professional bouts, dropped Garcia twice in the seventh as a prelude to the finale. The referee halted the contest in 55 seconds of the eighth. Garcia, from Mexico City, weighed 137; Flores, 140.

Dave Johnson, 152, San Francisco, pounded out a six-round verdict over Ed Jones, 152, Merced, in the six-round semi-main.

In the fours: Louis Andrade, 163, dec. Ed Beatty, 164; Hurricane Simms, 170, KO'd Jimmy Stevens, 163, in 2.

The caption in the L. A. Times read: "Gonsalves in Dull Win over Northrup", and I'm going to quote the lead paragraph of boxing writer Cal Whorton—with or without his permission. (Sue me, Cal. My son's a lawyer.)

"Everything was unanimous in the 10-round main event at Hollywood Legion Stadium—no one was knocked down, no one was hurt, and no one was particularly thrilled as Johnny Gonsalves, 7th ranking lightweight contender from Oakland, won a unanimous decision over Mickey Northrup, Los Angeles."

The weights: Gonsalves, 138; Northrup, 139½.

The fleet stylist from Oakland followed his usual pattern. He left-jabbed his opponent dizzy, occasionally crossing a right, or shooting a right hand uppercut to break up the monotony.

Northrup's managers are surely game guys. This kid, not long out of the marines, was paired with Ralph Dupas in his last fight, with Gonsalves in this one. Dupas is No. 3, Gonsalves No. 7 in the January ratings, Page 16, The Ring.

Given the right kind of opposition, Mickey is a crowd-pleaser. What he needs is a guy who'll come walking in, swinging.

Here's how the officials saw it: Referee Abe Roth, 58-52; Judges Tommy Hart and John Thomas turned in identical score-cards, 57-53.

In the semi-final, Paul Armstead, 129, L. A., scored a 3-round TKO over Chico Arroya, 131¾, Oakland; it was scheduled for six.

BOXING IN MONTANA AND THE NORTHWEST

By Bo "Bow Tie" Grmoljez

Larry Vasquez, Sid Flaherty's pleasing featherweight, kayo'ed Len Walters in Butte in the fifth round at the Civic Center. Walters, hailing from Vancouver, up to this time had not been defeated as a professional scrapper.

Eddie Lockett, the proprietor of a thriving bakery business in Butte, dumped Stan Davis on the seat of his pants in the first round for the count of ten, with a beautifully executed left hook to the point of the Reno fighter's chin.

Rough and tough Andy Maes, 150 slugger of Denver, ran into a Tarter in Jackie Anderson of Washington, D. C. The fight was halted in the fifth round due to a badly gashed eye of the Denver fighter.

Chencho Chavez, lightweight, younger brother of Eddie Chavez, lost a split decision to Tony Martin of Butte in a real good four round scrap.

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS

By Eddie Beck

GEORGE ARAUJO, popular New England fighter, was inducted into the U. S. Army on December 8.

At Providence, Bob Bolton, local middleweight, demolished hard-hitting Lou Campanelli with a few well placed bombs. Gordon Perry, promising welter, returned to ring warfare but was edged by tough Larry Baker, of New York, in ten.

▶ Scrappy Curley Monroe, Worcester lightweight, upset Al Juergens, of San Antonio.

Teddy St. Jean, Central Falls, lightweight, scored a couple of impressive victories. Manager Ernie Forte is priming him for New England title honors.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THERE was an odd twist to the busy ring career of Johnny (Young) Lustig who, at 60, was counted out recently in the Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital.

Although a native of Manhattan's lower East Side, which teemed with neighborhood fight clubs in the pre-World War I era, Lustig did comparatively little fighting in his own bailiwick. He seemed to have a particular fascination for Brooklyn, and did most of his important battling there. He also became a frequent performer in New England, Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Montreal.

Lustig was world lightweight champion Freddie Welsh's opponent in one of the first cards ever staged in a baseball park hereabouts. When the Brooklyn Dodgers moved to their new base at Ebbets Field, their former grounds, Washington Park, in the Bay Ridge section, was used for several outdoor fight shows in 1915 and 1916. The Welsh-Lustig affair topped the first show, as we recall. It was in June, 1915.

Lustig never quite attained championship status, but he was a rugged sort and good enough to step along with the top lightweights of his period. Clarence Gillespie managed him, and Clarence never was one to pick soft sports for his fighters. From 1911, when he began fighting as a bantam, until 1917, when he interrupted his career as a lightweight to enlist in the Navy, Lustig packed in about 150 fights, and we do not recall anybody putting him down for the full count. And he was in with opposition that included several world champions and champions-to-be, among them Welsh, Ted (Kid) Lewis, Benny Leonard and Johnny Dundee. Other good 'uns he met were Phil Bloom, K. O. Brown, Walter Mohr, Young Britt, Willie Moore, One-Round Hogan, Charley Thomas, Sam Robideau, Fred Yelle, Matty Baldwin, Gilbert Gallant, Philadelphia Pal Moore, Milburn Saylor and Eddie Moy.

Lustig had no intention of returning to boxing after his discharge from the Navy, but he couldn't resist the temptation to take one more fling, and in 1921 he became a regular feature on National Guard armory cards. As we recall, Sammy Richman handled him for a while, and Pop Ryan also managed him for a few bouts. Lustig fought about a year or so in the drillsheds, then decided he was getting too old for such rugged toil.

In recent years, until his fatal illness, Lustig had been working as a watchman on the docks along the New York waterfront.

THE CUSTOMERS ALWAYS WRITE

From Earl Puryear, Omaha, Nebr.: "Just cannot get boxing out of my system. Have joined forces with Jim Farhart here to see what can be done with a young local light-heavy, Wayne Mitchell, a good-looking prospect in the amateurs. In 38 bouts as a medal chaser, he lost only six, and reversed them all in return matches. Don't know what luck we'll have with him as a pro, but nothing ventured, nothing gained. Incidentally, in looking through The Ring Record Book, I was interested in 'Most Consecutive Fights Without a Loss.' I think I may hold the record. I had 90 or 91 bouts before losing my first decision in 1915. Looking back over my career, I consider myself the luckiest guy in the world. Nearly 300 bouts in twenty years with the top flyweights and bantams, including five past, present future work champions, and never knocked out, stopped or seriously hurt."

From Thomas L. Sayers, London, England: "I was interested in your recent article 'No Work on Sunday.' I realize you were writing mainly of champions and topliners and didn't have the space to devote to the ring's lesser lights. But we have a featherweight worthy of inclusion among Busy Bees. He is Teddy Peckham of Bournemouth, who began boxing in 1944, has had about 150 fights to date, and shows no signs of slowing down. He had a dozen bouts or more in 1955, and his itinerary included jaunts to Rome, Marseilles and Abidjan in French West Africa. Teddy is now 27, should be good for another three or four years, and wind up his career with a total of at least 200 bouts."

SOME OF THIS AND THAT

After selling out his interest in the "Neutral Corner," Frankie (Jay) Jacobs, former manager of Jack (Kid) Berg and Tony Janiro, is continuing in the bar-and-grill trade. He and one-time Bronx featherweight Abe Levine have taken over a tavern at 819 Second Avenue, between 43rd and 44th Streets, and labelled it the Jay Spot.

A colorful old-time character passed out in California recently when Fred (Windy) Windsor died in San Mateo. Windsor was active in the sock market as promoter and manager for the better part of a half-century. He knew fights and fighters, but everybody's entitled to an occasional mistake and Windy pulled a real one back in 1917. He picked up a young heavyweight in Utah, brought him to San Francisco, tried him out in a few fights, decided the kid wouldn't amount to much, and let him go. Jack Kearns took over the youngster and did right well with him. He was Jack Dempsey.

Boxing activity has perked up considerably in New Jersey of late. In one percent stretch, no less than six shows were staged in two weeks. Besides the regular operations in Trenton, cards were offered in Plainfield, Highland Park, Paterson and Atlantic City. All did so well they're seriously considering further promotions.

That grand old light-heavyweight campaigner of yesteryear, Kid Norfolk, is back in circulation in Harlem after an automobile banged him into a hospital for several weeks. Norfolk, who quit the ring because of failing eyesight in 1925, was one fighter who had sense enough to hold on to what he could of his ring earnings. He invested in a couple of Harlem apartment houses, and has been able to live right comfortably on the returns.

That was a tough break British middleweight Johnny Sullivan bumped into on the Bob Baker-Nino Valdes Christmas Toyshop card in Cleveland. Pitted against the dangerous Eduardo Lausse, Sullivan shook off several low punches and was giving the Argentino a real argument when he dropped his hands as the bell ended the fourth round and was nailed on the chin by a vicious left hook. That clout

was too much for anybody to take. Sullivan was still wobbly when the fifth started and when he was unable to hold off Lausse's savage assaults, the referee called a halt. Johnny showed enough stuff, as far as the bout went, to guarantee a real brawl with any of our ranking middleweights.

Coming up with "red hot" local attractions seems to be a happy habit with Sam Silverman of Boston. When Tommy Collins faded out of the big-time scene in the Hub, Silverman had a successor ready—Tony DeMarco. Now Sam has another big box-office possibility in young Bob Murphy, just named Rookie of the Year by the Boxing Writers' Association.

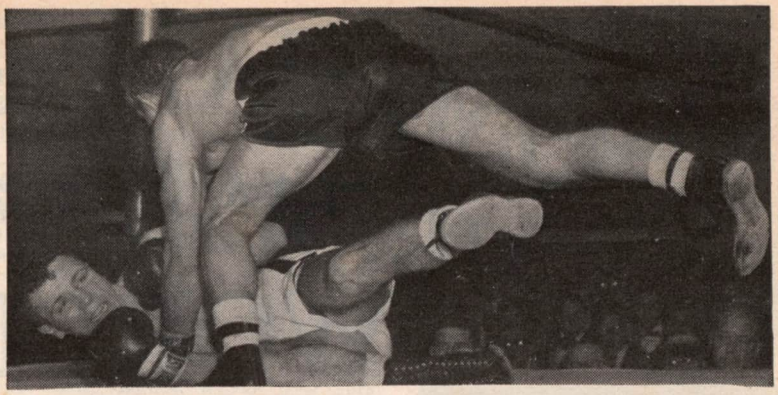
THE month's results:

Attributing his previous defeat, eight months before, to a 130-pound contract, Joey Lopes was given a chance to come in at his normal weight, but at 133½ the Sacramento Portuguese fared no better against Carmelo Costa, 129¼, Brooklyn, than he did in their first ten in Madison Square Garden. Again these two busy bees put on a lively affair, with aggressive, harder-hitting Lopes having slightly the better of the early milling and faster, shiftier Costa taking command at the half-way mark and outspeeding the Californian the rest of the way. Oddly enough, all three officials—Referee Al Berl and Judges Leo Birnbaum and Frank Forbes—all came up with identiacl scores, crediting Costa with six rounds to three for Lopes and one even. Terry Moore, 169, Baltimore, had too much stuff for Joe Shaw, 160½, Harlem, in the semi-final eight. A pair of sixes were abbreviated by kayoes, Bobby Scanlon, 131, Buffalo, halting Al Tisi, 125, East Side, at 2:14 of the fourth, and Andre Tessier, 168, Springfield, Mass., taking 34 seconds longer to dispose of Irwin Schultz, 170, Yorkville. In fours, Joe Davis, 146½, Harlem, outpointed Frank Perrotta, 149½, Brooklyn, and George Harrell, 163¾, Bronx, stopped Johnny Webster, 158¾, Brooklyn, at the end of the third.

▶ In a blistering brawl, short on science but long on action, Bobby Courchesne, 128, Holyoke, Mass., edged out Miguel Berrios, 128, Puerto Rico, in ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Courchesne, whose buzzsaw style is reminiscent of Ace Hudkins', found Berrios an opponent more than willing to battle him on his own terms. The result was some of the most spirited punching of the season. It was anybody's fight going into the last round, and with the decision waiting the rivals slugged it out for the entire three minutes without a pause or a clinch. Courchesne had just a bit the better of the furious slugging and it decided the issue in his favor. Gale Kerwin, 140, Valley Stream, outpunched Frederico Escalero, 143, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final six. Jimmy Clemente, 168½, Bronx, won from Leroy Allen, 163½, Paterson, N. J., in another six. In fours, George Chementi, 152, West Side, decisioned Danny Vigo, 152¼, Brooklyn, and Pete Warren, 151, East Side, stopped Al Dixon, 146¾, Long Island City, at 1:31 of the fourth. During the show, veteran fight manager Tony (Kelly) Lento, 78, suffered a heart attack. After emergency treatment from club physicians, Drs. Vincent Nardiello and Alex Schiff, he was rushed to Roosevelt Hospital.

▶ Giving New Yorkers their first peek at him in person—although he had previously been seen on TV from Chicago—Willie Pastrano, 181¾, New Orleans, needed all his speed and fluttering skill to outpoint rugged Joe Rowan, 181¾, Philadelphia, in an entertaining ten in Madison Square Garden. Rowan was aggressor practically all the way and did some effective scoring in close quarters, but at long range he lacked the speed to cope with the shifty Louisianan. Pastrano used left jabs and hooks to good advantage, and as early as the second round had Rowan bleeding from the nose. At times the Philadelphian seemed bewildered by Pastrano's speed and jittery dancing style, but he didn't stop moving forward. His willingness caused him to punch wildly at times and brought three warnings from Referee Ruby Goldstein. The semi-final, listed for six, ended at 2:44 of the fifth, Johnny DiGilio, 143½, Bayonne, getting credit for a kayo over Tommy Barto, 140½, New Kensington, Pa., when the bout was halted because of gashes over Barto's eyes. Johnny Gorman, 137½, West Side, bustled his way to a decision over Toby Coleman, 140½, Rochester, N. Y., in another six. In fours, Roy Bullock, 186, Freeport, won from George Washington, 200½, Brooklyn; Bobby Shell, 144¾, Washington, D. C., decisioned Roy Alston, 152, Trenton, N. J., and Jesse Watson, 136, Brooklyn, **drew with Art Oubre, 136, Bunkie, La.**

▶ Back in action after thirteen months' absence from the ring, Carmine Fiore, 149¾, Brooklyn, outlasted a borough rival, Rinzy Nocero, 155½, in a brawling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Not too certain of himself after his long spell of inactivity, Fiore started slowly and the rough-and-tumble Nocero got off to an early lead. As the bout progressed, however, Fiore began to get the range and his lusty left hooks to the head and body gradually slowed Nocero down. It was a gruelling sockfest all the way. An old cut over Nocero's right eye was reopened in the second and it worsened along the way. Dr. Alex Schiff checked it a couple of time during the bout but permitted hostilities to continue. Tony DeCola, 140½, Brooklyn, outfought Frankie Madison, 136, Bronx, in the semi-final six. Edmund George, 158¼, Harlem, won from Curtis Bruce, 158½, Newark, in another six. In fours, Joe Baglio, 153, decisioned a rival Brooklynite, Benny Washington, 149, and Andy Anderson, 127, East Side, stopped Bert Reyes, 123½, Brooklyn, at 1:57 of the second.



A knockdown that wasn't one occurred in seventh round of roughhouse brawl between middleweights Peter Muller and Ray Drake at St. Nicholas Arena. Muller nailed Drake on chin, but Ray, going down, grabbed the German and pulled him to canvas. Referee called it a "slip." Muller won ten-round decision.

▶ Unbeaten in three years and running his current winning streak to thirty straight, swarthy, beetle-browed Eduardo Lausse, 159½, Argentina, outslugged rugged Gene Fullmer, 156¾, West Jordan, Utah, in as exciting a ten as Madison Square Garden has housed in many a month. It was a furious sockfest all the way, Lausse proving the more durable and cinching the verdict in the closing rounds when Fullmer tired from the gruelling pace. Despite the lusty punching, the nearest thing to a knockdown occurred in the eighth when Fullmer, off-balance after missing a ponderous right, was clipped by a left hook. Gene dropped to his knees but was up immediately. The knockdown timer counted to five but Referee Mark Conn ruled it a "slip" and waved the fighters back into action. Fullmer, the loser, was unmarked at the finish, but Lausse, the winner, suffered a bloody nose in the third and a gashed right eyebrow in the fourth. A surprising feature of the night was the turnout, which numbered about 4,000 and paid some $11,000 for the biggest gate reported for Garden boxing in a long time. Tony (Tex) Gonzales, 153¾, Orange, N. J., edged out Billy Harper, 148½, Washington, D. C., in a lively semi-final eight. In another eight, Frank Gioseffi, 190, Bronx, had a rough time winning from Tony Gagliardo, 188½, Brooklyn, a short-notice substitute for Fullmer's stablemate, Jack Nelson, who was not approved by the Commission. In fours, Bobby Jackson, 125½, Philadelphia, decisioned Cleo Ortiz, 121¾, Harlem, and Billy Flamio, 140, Bronx, whipped Felix Ortega, 136¾, Mexico.

▶ Apparently burned out by too many gruelling ring "wars" in his comparatively brief career, Billy McNeece, 171½, Central Islip, was battered into near collapse by Tony Johnson, 174, East Side, and Referee Barney Felix halted the free-punching brawl at 2:06 of the eighth at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout was a return of a draw at Eastern Parkway six months before. Off to a fast start, Johnson had McNeece in trouble several times in the early rounds and it was only his fighting heart that enabled Billy to survive the rough going. He not only survived but fought back so savagely that Johnson became discouraged. McNeece jolted Johnson with a couple of rights in the seventh and had Tony backing away. Billy was continuing his attack in the eighth when he ran smack-dab into a hard right. As McNeece tottered, Johnson became aggressive again. This time Billy didn't weather the storm. He was reeling groggily on the ropes, ready to collapse, when the referee intervened. Johnny Gorman, 138, West Side, hustled his way to a decision over Frankie Madison, 140¾, Bronx, in the semi-final six. In fours, George Chimenti, 150¼, West Side, won from Ray Apollo, 149, Newark; Art Lusby, 146¾, Paterson, N. J., outpointed Castle Ortiz, 149, Brooklyn; Cortez Stewart, 174¾, Philadelphia, won from Al Anderson, 175, Long Island City, and Destino Lois, 154, East Side, polished off Robert J. Williams, 155½, Harlem, at 2:41 of the first.

▶ Although the returns were not quite what had been optimistically expected, Promoter Mannie Heicklen seemed "satisfied" with the results of his latest effort to revive non-TV boxing at Sunnyside Garden in Long Island City. The exact figures were not announced but the turnout looked about 900 and the gross gate receipts in the neighborhood of $1,600. In the top spot, listed for eight, Wayne Bethea, 196, Bronx, slugged his way to a knockout over veteran Mickey Carter, 230½, Harlem, at 2:08 of the fifth. It was a slow, ponderous affair for four rounds but early in the fifth Bethea dropped his heavier rival. Carter was up at five but took the mandatory eight count. He was still wobbly when action resumed and Bethea lost little time polishing him off. In supporting numbers, Matchmaker Artie Curley came up with a batch of lively sixes featuring "new talent". Tony DiBiase, 149½, Astoria, whipped Jose Lopez, 148¾, Bronx; Charley Douglas, 137, Harlem, won from Jesse Watson, 137, Brooklyn; John Bridgeforth, 161, Bronx, decisioned Billy Reckhower, 159½, West Side; Vic Campo, 135, East Side, outpunched Lennie Pinkney, 138½, Bronx; Joe Davis, 146, Brooklyn, had the better of Henry Hernandez, 149½, Brooklyn, and Tony LaGreco, 144, East Side, posted the only kayo of the lot by stopping Walter Ross, 140, Brooklyn, at 2:06 of the third.

▶ Squaring accounts for a previous defeat at St. Nicholas Arena, Isaac Logart, 144¾, Cuba, was too shifty for a surprisingly inept Virgil Akins, 147, St. Louis, in a dull ten in Madison Square Garden. Akins just couldn't seem to untrack himself. He was sluggish in his boxing, inaccurate in his punching, and generally behaved like a tired old man. Off to a fast start, Logart had things pretty much his own way for three rounds, then seemed content to fight just enough to stay in front. Akins suffered a slight gash under his right eye in the third and was doubled over by a series of left hooks to the body in the fifth. Otherwise not much of anything happened to either rival. Larry Napp, developing into as efficient a fight referee as he is a baseball umpire (he's one of the American League regulars), turned in a fine job with his first Garden main event. In a breezy semi-final eight, rough and tumble Tony Puleo, 135, Brooklyn, made good use of his weight advantage to earn a draw with clever, counter-punching Ike Chestnut, 128¼, Harlem. Michael Maye, 198, Bronx, punched out a decision over Johnny Yorck, 201½, Norristown, Pa., in six. In fours, Jack Jacobs, 197, Brooklyn, outslugged Joe Laquatra, 185, Pittsburgh; Archie Monroe, 148¾, Newark, won from Andy Figaro, 148¾, Harlem, and Roy Bullock, 184, Freeport, drew with Ralph Ruffin, 187½, Brooklyn.

▶ Too strong and persistent for his opponent, Peter Muller, 157, Germany, inaugurated his second American tour by whipping Ray Drake, 159¾, Brooklyn, in a roughhouse ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was a messy affair throughout, marred by too much clutching and clumsy brawling, with Drake the chief offender. In trying to pry himself loose from one of Drake's holds in the third, Mul-

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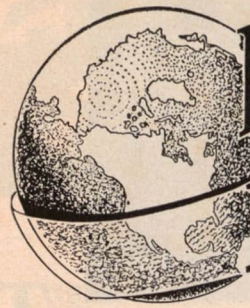

RING RATINGS EMBRACE The WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

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AN analysis of the records of world boxers for 1955 shows a decrease in the number of fights, the rise of many youngsters to a place of prominence and only three standouts whose splendid records against top talent earned for them places by themselves in a distinctive group. Rocky Marciano, heavyweight champion, Archie Moore, light heavyweight king and Carmen Basilio, welter champion, are the exclusive trio.

Marciano's knockout of Don Cockell, British Empire title holder and Archie Moore, stood out above the others and clearly proved that there is no heavyweight today who can hope to stand up against him. He rates supreme, in a class by himself, without a serious contender.

The same may be said of Moore in his division. Although he was knocked out by the Brockton Blockbuster, Moore has no competition as of now, despite the rapid rise of two youngsters, Floyd Patterson of New York and Willie Pastrano of New Orleans, either of whom is likely to win the crown from Archie within the year. But as of the twelve preceding months, Moore stood out by himself.

In the welter class the double triumph of Carmen Basilio over Tony De Marco, each by a kayo in the twelfth round, and his thrilling performances in winning and then defending the crown, place him above all in his division by so big a margin he rates alone in Class One.

Patterson and Pastrano are listed as the leading contenders for Moore's crown in that order with Tony De Marco, and Johnny Saxton topping the list of welter contenders.

Moore also is the only boxer named in two divisions. He is rated as Rocky Marciano's leading challenger and as king of his class.

The rankings for the year show a big gain in new faces in the number of numerically listed boxers. Though in 1954 a total of 153 were in that class, only 136 are rated as such for 1955 but of these, the surprising total of 46 are new comers, with an over fifty percent turnover in the middlweight, heavyweight and welterweight classes.

The flyweight division shows the only gain with 18 listed numerically as against 16 the previous year.

The light heavyweight sector remains the same as in 1954 with 15.

The flyweights also show the most repeaters with only five newcomers registered in the ratings.

How the 1955 Top Men Compared with 1954's

HERE is a comparison of the No. 1 boxers in the latest world rankings and the runners-up and those of the previous year:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

1955—Rocky Marciano, champion, and Archie Moore.
1954—Rocky Marciano, champion, and Nino Valdes.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

1955—Archie Moore, champion, and Floyd Patterson.
1954—Archie Moore, champion, and Billy Smith.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

1955—Ray Robinson, champion, and Carl Bobo Olson.
1954—Carl Bobo Olson, champion, and Joey Giardello.

WELTERWEIGHTS

1955—Carmen Basilio, champion, and Johnny Saxton.
1954—Carmen Basilio and Kid Gavilan.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

1955—Wallace Bud Smith, champion, and James Carter.
1954—James Carter, champion, and Paddy DeMarco.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

1955—Sandy Saddler, champion, and Fred Galiana.
1954—Sandy Saddler, champion, and Teddy (Red Top) Davis.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

1955—Robert Cohen, champion, and Mario D'Agata.
1954—Robert Cohen, champion, and Raton Macias.

FLYWEIGHTS

1955—Pascual Perez, champion, and Leo Espinosa.
1954—Pascual Perez, champion, and Yoshio Shirai.

Unlike previous years where from 2500 to 4000 boxers were listed in the annual rankings, only 1768 have found their way into the select circle for 1955.

The welterweights lead the field with 408 rated men and the flyweights, who are practically extinct in our country, have the smallest number, 61.

The leaders in each division are those who are the champions unlike 1954, when in one division, the welter class, Johnny Saxton, the champion, was rated below Carmen Basilio and Kid Gavilan. This time Basilio is the champ and Gavilan, ranked as a middleweight, is well down the line.

For the first time in many years a title holder in a lower division attempted to win the crown in the next higher and failed. Bobo Olson was stopped by Moore when Carl tried to wrest the laurels from Archie in the light heavyweight division and Moore, in turn, failed when he was halted by Marciano. Neither of the setbacks, however, affected the standing of the victims.

This is the third year in a row that Marciano has overshadowed his entire field to gain the highest one can get in our world selections—a position by himself on the top rung of the ladder.

Among those who took a big drop from previous high ranking are Joey Maxim, former light heavy king; Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight champ; Billy Smith, Atlantic City light heavyweight; Joey Giardello, Philadelphia middleweight, due to enforced idleness brought about by his conflict with the law; and Paddy De Marco, former lightweight champion.

Don Cockell was dropped from second in 1954 to tenth in 1955; Charles from third to fifth; Gavilan, from second in the welter division to fifteenth in the middleweight sector; DeMarco from second to fifteenth among the lightweights; and Boardwalk Billy Smith from first challenger to a place in the alphabetical listing in the light heavyweight division.

As in past years our readers are alerted to the fact that in these ratings no fights of a previous year are considered. Only contests fought in 1955 are given consideration.

Nor are friendships, suppositions or sentiment involved. We play no favorites.

The Ring Editor, who has traveled in many parts of the world, has seen in action most of the boxers listed in the rankings. Yet he has not depended merely on what he has seen. Aided by his competent staff, men whose close study of boxing makes them experts in their field, these ratings are truly a Ring Magazine selection, based on a close study of each fighter's record by our staff.

In these selections, as in the past, boxers who were prominent members of their class and retired during the year, have been honored with a rating. Those who were above the average were chosen for the numerical listings while others who fought in three or more contests and didn't quit boxing prior to May, have been listed in groups, alphabetically. In such listings the men are about on a par in ability.

ARCHIE MOORE

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)
World Champion
Rocky Marciano, Brocton, Mass.

Group I
1—Rocky Marciano, Brocton, Mass.

Group II
1—Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.
2—Bob Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa.
3—Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, Far Rockaway, N. Y.
4—Bob Satterfield, Chicago, Ill.
5—Ezzard Charles, Cincinnati, O.
6—John Holman, Chicago, Ill.
7—Nino Valdes, Cuba
8—Earl Walls, Canada (Retired)
9—Jimmy Slade, New York, N. Y.
10—Don Cockell, England
11—Johnny Summerlin, Detroit, Mich.
12—Franco Cavicchi, Italy
13—Rex Layne, Lewiston, Utah
14—Harold Carter, Linden, N. J.
15—Heinz Neuhaus, Germany
16—Paul Andrews, Buffalo, N. Y.
17—Joey Rowan, Phoenixville, Pa.

Boxers listed below are grouped in general classification, and in alphabetical order. Those in each class are rated about on a par.

Class A

Ansaloni, Rinaldo, Argentina; Arthur, Johnny, South Africa; Bean, Willie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bethea, Wayne, New York, N. Y.; Bivins, Jimmy, Cleveland, Ohio.

Erskine, Joe, Wales; Folley, Zora Chandler, Ariz.; Gardner, Jack, England; Hall, Henry, Milwaukee, Wis.; Hall, Toxie, Chicago, Ill.; Hammer, Ken, Detroit, Mich.

Johansson, Ingemar, Sweden; Johnson, Young Jack, Los Angeles, Calif.; King, Howard, Reno, Nev.; Lindsay, Joe, New York, N. Y.; Liston, Charley (Sonny), St. Louis, Mo.

McBride, Archie, Trenton, N. J.; McMurtry, Pat, Tacoma, Wash.; Machen, Eddie, Reddings, Calif.; Mederos, Julio, Cuba; Nurnberg, Gunter, Germany.

Parker, James J., Paterson, N. J.; Pellegrini, Aldo, Italy; Schiegl, Kurt, Austria; Ten Hoff, Hein, Germany; Williams, Johnny, England.

Class B

Adams, Ansel, Trindad; Albright, Bob, Los Angeles, Calif.; Anfonsetti, Giovanni, Italy; Bacilieri, Uber, Italy; Brady, Ken, Australia; Breshears, Harley, Parma, Idaho; Brixon, Gene, Sandpoint, Idaho; Brown, Alex, Poli, Pa.; Brtko, Emil, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bygraves, Joe, England.

Chapman, Hosea, Huntington, W. Va.; Chris, Max, Toole, Utah; Cooper, Henry, England; Davidson, Embrell, Detroit, Mich.; DeJohn, Mike, Syracuse, N. Y.; Dunlap, Bob, Los Angeles, Calif.

Fala, Fernando, Philadelphia, Pa.; Friedrich, Hans, Germany; Gray, John, Chicago, Ill.; Hall, Dale, Los Angeles, Calif.; Hoye, Johnny, Taunton, Mass.

Johnson, Leo, Charlotte, N. C.; Jones, Sonny, Newark, N. J.; Lave, Kitione, Tonga; Limage, Marcel, Belgium; Lincoln, Amos, Portland, Ore.; London, Brian, England.

Parmentier, George, Eureka, Calif.; Pharo, Oscar, Birmington, Ala.; Potgieter, Ewart, South Africa; Powell, Charlie, San Diego, Calif.; Reed, J. B., Fairfield, Calif.; Richardson, Dick, England; Rischer, Roger, Oakland, Calif.; Sabedong, Duke, Hawaii; Spaeth, Bobby, Topeka, Kan.

Thomas, Benny, Chicago, Ill.; Turner, Howie, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Watson, Larry, Omaha, Neb.; Welch, Neil, Toledo, Ohio; Whitehourst, Bert, Baltimore, Md.; Wiegand, Werner, Germany; Williams, Allan, Australia; Wills, Harry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Wilson, Willie, Providence, R. I.; Woodworth, Chuck, Salt Lake City, Utah; Worley, Red, Dallas, Texas; Wright, Arthur, Detroit, Mich.; Wright, Chubby, Reading, Pa.

Class C

Alonzo, Jess (Rancho), San Antonio, Texas; Batey, Ray, New York, N. Y.; Bernard, Al, Belgium; Brown, Jesse, St. Louis, Mo.; Bullock, Roy, Freeport, N. Y.; Butler, Calvin, Cleveland, Ohio.

Cab, Ernie, New York, N. Y.; Carter, Mickey, Garfield, N. J.; Chambers, Cal, Sacramento, Calif.; Cox, Mack, Detroit, Mich.; Dawson, Joe, Millville, N. J.; Denny, Garnett, Ireland; Donald, Ted, Marreo, La.; Donnelly, Vince, Minneapolis, Minn.; Duess, Chubby, Los Angeles, Calif.

Eugene, Robert, Belgium; Favorite, Paul, New Orleans, La.; Gage, Munro, St. Paul, Minn.; Gagliardo, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gioseffi, Frank, New York, N. Y.; Graham, Moses, Buffalo, N. Y.; Graves, Rudy, New York, N. Y.; Griffin, Julius, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gulat, Willie, Miami, Fla.

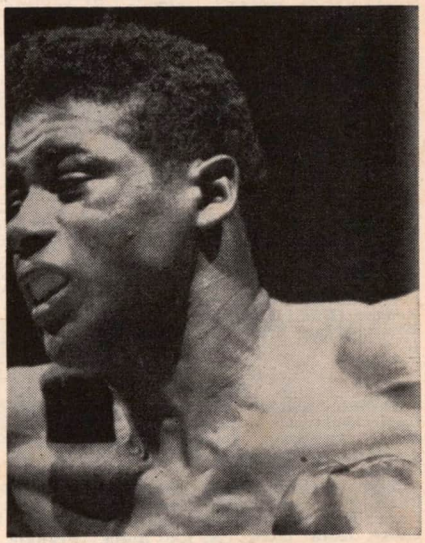
Hackney, Rico, New York, N. Y.; Henderson, Butch, Galveston, Texas; Hernandez, Lancho, Victoria, Texas; Hughes, William, New Orleans, La.; Jackson, Gene, Cleveland, Ohio; Jackson, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jasper, Don, Duluth, Minn.; Johnson, Fred, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jones, Charlie, Newark, N. J.; Louis III, Joe, Oakland, Calif.

McKenna, Jim, Providence, R. I.; Maraville, Roque, Nampa, Idaho; Mathis, Bill, Oakland, Calif.; Miguel, Jose, Tampa, Fla.; Mols, Maurice, Belgium; Moore, George, Detroit, Mich.; Moore, Lee, Chicago, Ill.; Morasco, Frank, Rochester, N. Y.; Nelson, Jack, Salt Lake City, Utah.

O'Brien, Bob, New York, N. Y.; Orgen, Johnny, New York, N. Y.; Peele, Crowe, Chicago, Ill.; Phillips, Roy, Ft. Devers, Mass.; Ragus, Dave, Milwaukee, Wis.; Reyes, Rick, Fresno, Calif.; Robbins, Bobby, Westover, Mass.; Robinson, Walter, Richmond, Calif.

Saucer, Kid, Washington, D. C.; Sawyer, Garvin, Cincinnati, Ohio; Seals, Kirby, San Diego, Calif.; Slayton, Esdell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Smith, Reuben, Seattle, Wash.; Tavares, George, Boise, Idaho; Taylor, Fred, Los Angeles, Calif.; Thomas, Ike, New York, N. Y.; Thompson, Gene, Los Angeles, Calif.; Touzard, Lucien, France; Tucker, Don, Robstown, Texas; Turiano, Augie, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Vargas, Ruben, Richmond, Calif.; Walker, David, Trenton, N. J.; Walker, Eddie Lee, Detroit, Mich., Walls, Jimmy, Englewood, N. J.; Washington, George, Brooklyn, N. Y.; White, Gene, Cannonsburg, Pa.; Williams, Frank, Cincinnati, Ohio; Williams, Harold, Port Arthur, Texas; Willis, Bo, Miami, Fla.; Wilson, Ruben, Watts, Calif.; York, Johnny, Norristown, Pa.; Zuanny, Alfredo, Mexico.



FLOYD PATTERSON

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)
World Champion
Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.

Group I
1—Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.

Group II
1—Floyd Patterson, Brooklyn, N. Y.
2—Willie Pastrano, New Orleans, La.
3—Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, B.W.I.
4—Gerhard Hecht, Germany
5—Harold Johnson, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—Joey Maxim, Cleveland, Ohio

Group III
1—Willi Hoepner, Germany
2—Chuck Speiser, Lansing, Mich.
3—Randy Turpin, England
4—Eddie Cotton, Seattle, Wash.
5—Dave Whitlock, San Francisco, Cal.
6—Albert Finch, England
7—Ron Barton, England

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Class A

Colin, Charles, France; Daniels, Frankie, Bakersfield, Calif.; Dorsey, Joe, New Orleans, La.; Durelle, Yvon, Canada; Ferdinand, Esau, San Francisco, Calif.; Grant, Don, Los Angeles, Calif.

Harper, Doug, Canada, Hayes, Herbie, Elmford, N. Y.; Hughes, Bobby, Warren, Ohio; Johnson, Tony, New York, N. Y.; McNeece,

Billy, Central Islip, N. Y.; Marshall, Marty, Detroit, Mich.; Matthews, Harry, Seattle, Wash.

Riggins, John, Detroit, Mich.; Smith, Ed (Polly), Bermuda; Snoek, Wim, Holland; Washington, Junius (Junior), San Francisco, Calif.; Williams, Alvin, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Young, Paddy, New York, N. Y.

Class B

Allotey, Al, Africa; Bacon, Clint, New York, N. Y.; Barthelemy, Serge, Guadeloupe; Besmanoff, Willie, Germany; Biehler, Bob, Rochester, N. Y.; Brad, Calvin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Calzavara, Artenio, Italy; Campanelli, Lou, Providence, R. I.; Chapman, Claude, Cambridge, Mass.; DeJohn, Joey, Syracuse, N. Y.; Farthing, Bruce, Australia; Flake, Benny, Salt Lake City, Utah; Fontana, Ivano, Italy; Gooding, Terry, England.

Halafihi, Johnny, Tonga; Hanna, Waddell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Harris, Roy, Cut and Shoot, Texas; Harris, Tobe, Cut and Shoot, Texas; Howard, Arthur, England; Hunter, Bill, Detroit, Mich.; Jannilli, Fernando, Italy.

Kid, Yova, Cuba; King, Bobby, Boston, Mass.; King, Jackie, Washington, Pa.; Lane, Bobby, Kannapolis, N. C.; Lanza, Bill, Sacramento, Calif.; Lester, Warnell, Bel Air, Md.; Leudanski, Joe, Chicago, Ill.; London, Jack, Jr., England.

McGarry, Frank, Chicago, Ill.; Marchini, Carlo, Australia; Moore, Herbie, Cincinnati, Ohio; Moore, Terry, Baltimore, Md.; Mylinski, Stan, Chicago, Ill.; Nilsson, Gunnar, Sweden.

Ramirez, Tommy, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Sachs, Heinz, Germany; Schmit, Ray, Luxembourg.

Tatum, Tom, Miami, Fla.; Taylor, Harvey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Tessier, Andre, Springfield, Mass.; Trigg, Noel, Wales; Turman, Reagan (Buddy), Tyler, Texas; Whittle, Ron, West Jordan, Utah; Young, Bob, Providence, R. I.

Class C

Aldrich, Peter, England; Ameisbichler, Karl, Austria; Anderson, Al, New York, N. Y.; Anderson, Dean, Rexburg, Idaho; Armstrong, Sylvester, Chicago, Ill.; Arnaiz, Claude, France.

Bagnoli, Cesare, Italy; Baker, Bud, Hazel Park, Mich.; Bennett, Murray, Sioux City, Iowa; Bohn, Sammy, Spokane, Wash.; Boil, Hoise, New York, N. Y.; Bolla, Frankie, Canada; Bondulich, Dave, Argentina; Bruno, Gus, Canada; Burton, Bob (Rocky), Richmond, Calif.; Burton, Oscar, Miami, Fla.

Carreras, Julio, Cuba; Carroll, John, Oakland, Calif.; Chibe, Joe, Chicago, Ill.; Clemente, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Cooper, Leroy, Chicago, Ill.; Cosgrove, Bob, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Crooks, Ron, England.

Danetti, Tommy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; DeFendis, Angelo, Brooklyn, N. Y.; DeMars, Eddie, Springfield, Mass.; Dixon, Artie, Salt Lake City, Utah; Duncan, Eugene, Detroit, Mich.; Dundee, Timmie, Austin, Texas; Filipiak, Tony, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Filippo, Bill, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fleeman, Donnie, Waxahachie, Texas; Ford, Frank, New York, N. Y.

Gallagher, Jack, Moscow, Idaho; Garcia, Jimmy, Puerto Rico; Giddings, Ernie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Green, Elvin, Houston, Texas; Greenburg, Dick, San Francisco, Calif.; Grillo, Ray, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Grover, Jimmy, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Halsey, Bull, Oakland, Calif.; Harding, John, Los Angeles, Calif.; Hayden, Johnny, Phoenix, Ariz.; Haynes, Franklin, Shreveport, La.; Henderson, Alvin, Robstown, Texas; Henry, Willard, Los Angeles, Calif.; Howard, Chuck, Richmond, Calif.; Ingram, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.

Jackson, Sammy, Syracuse, N. Y.; Jenkins, Eddy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jenkins, Johnny, New York, N. Y.; Jones, Cordell, Reno, Nev.; Jones, Eddie, Chicago, Ill.; Jones, Shamus, Phoenix, Ariz.

Kartalian, George, Syracuse, N. Y.; Koolian, Ben, Providence, R. I.; Lane, Al, Chicago, Ill.; Layton, Darrell, Layton, Utah; LeRoy, John, Seattle, Wash.

McGraft, Mickey, Bridgeport, Conn.; McHenry, Ernie (Tiger), Los Angeles, Calif.; Mack, Freddy, New York, N. Y.; Mack, Joey, San Diego, Calif.; Mahon, Dave, Cincinnati, Ohio; Malone, Lonnie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Medina, Bob, Philadelphia, Pa.; Milbourne, Don, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miller, Artie, New York, N. Y.; Milton, Freddy, Los Angeles, Calif.

O'Mara, Sonny, Tacoma, Wash.; Perkins, Alvis, Louisville, Ky.; Perry, James, Los Angeles, Calif.; Perry, Lou, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Persey, Jim, Miami, Fla.; Que, Charley, Los Angeles, Calif.

Ray, Sonny, Stockton, Calif.; Rindal, Terry, St. Paul, Minn.; Rowlands, Ken, England; Smith, Elmo, St. Louis, Mo.; Steele, Ray, New Orleans, La.; Stewart, Cortez, Philadelphia, Pa.

Taylor, Henry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Thompson, Jimmy, Washington, D. C.; Thompson, Tommy, Washington, D. C.; Vann, Eloy, Tyler, Texas; Villa, Tommy, San Jose, Calif.; Wiley, Roger, Beverly, Mass.; Wise, Bob, Oakland, Calif.; Worme, Gunnar, Bridgeport, Conn.

CARL (BOBO) OLSON

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)
World Champion
Ray Robinson, New York City

Group I

1–Ray Robinson, New York, N. Y.
2–Carl (Bobo) Olson, Honolulu, T.H.
3–Charley Humez, France
4–Eduardo Lausse, Argentina
5–Rocky Castellani, Cleveland, Ohio
6–Holly Mims, Washington, D. C.
7–Joey Giardello, Philadelphia, Pa.
8–Ralph Jones, Yonkers, N. Y.
9–Artie Towne, New York, N. Y.
10–Milo Savage, Salt Lake City, Utah
11–Bobby Dykes, Miami, Fla.
12–Bobby Boyd, Chicago, Ill.
13–Gustav Scholz, Germany
14–Gene Fullmer, West Jordan

Group II

1–Kid Gavilan, Cuba
2–Gil Turner, Philadelphia, Pa.
3–Joey Giambra, Buffalo, N. Y.
4–Pat McAteer, England
5–Georgie Johnson, Trenton, N. J.

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Class A

Allen, Les, England; Andrews, Al, Superior, Wis.; Anthony, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Azteca, Kid, Mexico; Baldoni, Tony, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Ballarin, Germinal, France; Benton, George, Philadelphia, Pa.; Campagna, Gini, Italy.

Calhoun, Rory, White Plains, N. Y.; Colluzzi, Luigi, Italy; Delaney, Ronnie, Akron, Ohio; D'Ottavio, Alessandro, Italy; Drake, Ray, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Elliott, Jimmy, South Africa; Festucci, Franco, Italy; Green, Charlie, Oakland, Calif.

Holt, Mike, South Africa; Jansen, Leen, Holland; Jimenez, Rudy, Mexico; Jones, Bobby, Oakland, Calif.; Josephs, Charley, New Orleans, La.; King, Jimmy, Birmingham, Ala.

LaBua, Jackie, East Meadow, N. Y.; Langlois, Pierre, France; Lawrence, Lou, Canada; Lazer, Lew, England.

McDonnell, Billy, Australia; Martinez, Jimmy, Glendale, Ariz.; Merentino, Rafael, Argentina; Milazzo, Claude, France; Mitri, Tiberio, Italy; Muller, Peter, Germany; Murphy, Terence, England; Nocero, Rinzi, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Panter, Garth, Salt Lake City, Utah; Portuguez, Tuzo, Costa Rica.

Resch, Max, Germany; Rivers, Neal, Las Vegas, Nev.; Scortichini, Italo, Italy; Smallwood, Hardy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Stretz, Hans, Germany; Sullivan, Johnny, England; Thomas, Eddie, South Africa; Troy, Willie, Washington, D. C.

Varona, Chico, Cuba; Vaughn, Willie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Walker, Sammy, Springfield, Mass.; Wallace, Gordon, Canada; Williams, Ike, Trenton, N. J.

Class B

Adams, Pete, Newark, N. J.; Albanese, Tino, Tunisia; Alcontara, Constant, Senegal; Armstrong, Willie, Scotland; Assire, Marcel, France.

Boddie, George, Cleveland, Ohio; Bolton, Bob, Providence, R. I.; Bryant, Stan, Oakland, Calif.; Bucher, Karl, Germany; Bunn, Charley (Sonny), Washington, D. C.

Campagna, Gino, Italy; Campbell, Mike (Archie), Brooklyn, N. Y.; Castro, Jorge, Mexico; Chase, Charlie, Canada; Charolito, Kid, Cuba; Clayton, Marshall, Washington, D. C.; Dal Piaz, Aristide, Italy; Dawson, Bobby, Blackley, Ga.; Deaton, Benny, Durham, N. C.; Dockery, Willie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Drille, Andre, France; Durando, Ernie, Bayonne, N. J.; Dussart, Kid, Belgium; Ellaway, Billy, England; Farerzani, Marino, Italy.

Garvey, Cliff, Ireland; Gil, Pete, Austin, Texas; Godfrey, Bill, Greenville, S. C.; Gonzales, Pedro, Rankin, Pa.; Gonzales, Tony (Tex), East Orange, N. J.; Gordon, Bob, Akron, Ohio; Gray, Joe, Dearborn, Mich.; Gutierrez, Firpo, Mexico.

Hazell, Gordon, England; Hernandez, Chebo, Mexico; Hester, Billy, Louisville, Ky.; Hickey, Tom, Chicago, Ill.; Hinnant, Clarence, Washington, D. C.; Jones, Stanley, Houston, Texas; Jones, Tim, Plainfield, N. J.

Kelly, Cyril, Chicago, Ill.; Knowles, George, Nassau; Lauderdale, Billy, Hialeah, Fla.; Laurent, Mickey, France; Lavoine, Gilbert, France; Linscott, Gene, Pontiac, Mich.

McCluskey, Cobey, Canada; Marcus, Ricardo, Spain; Martinez, Choforo, Mexico; Mayfield, Andy, Miami, Fla.; Mazzinghi, Guido, Italy; Miezala, Chester, Chicago, Ill.; Mikus, Pran, Australia; Moore, Bobby, Newark, N. J.; Morris, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.

Nelson, Lloyd, Houston, Texas; Palazzola, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Penn, John Victor, Houston, Texas; Perea, Sal, San Francisco, Calif.; Provizzi, Bob, Freeland, Pa.

Rhodes, Mickey, Boise, Idaho; Rubicini, Gus, Canada; Salas, Charley, Phoenix, Ariz.; Sands, Alfie, Australia; Sanders, Hurley, Newark, N. J.; Savoldi, Mario, Italy; Schellin, Cliff, Stockton, Calif.; Servin, Petey, Los Angeles, Calif.

Shaw, Joe, New York, N. Y.; Simon, Gary, Canada; Small, Govan, Los Angeles, Calif.; Smith, Charley (Tombstone), Los Angeles, Calif.; Smith, Eddie, Detroit, Mich.; Spallotta, Fernando, Italy; Stecher, Bob, Portland, Me.; Szuzina, Frans, Germany.

Triplett, Lloyd, Chicago, Ill.; Tripodi, Bruno, Italy; Turner, Jesse, St. Louis, Mo.; Ward, Moses, Detroit, Mich.; Watkins, Andy, Indianapolis, Ind.; Webb, Tommy, New York, N. Y.; Welch, Jimmy, Columbus, Ohio; Williams, Al, Los Angeles, Calif.; Williams, Sherman, Louisville, Ky.

Class C

Allen, Leroy, Paterson, N. J.; Anderson, Jay, Philadelphia, Pa.; Anderson, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; Andy, Billy, Providence, R. I.; Armstrong, Genorace, Elizabeth, N. J.; Armstrong, Manuel, Los Angeles, Calif.

Babullu, Kid, Los Angeles, Calif.; Baers, Tony, Holland; Bailey, Hershell, Hollywood, Calif.; Benaji, Vispi, India; Barksdale, Bob, Boston, Mass.; Barnes, Willie, Detroit, Mich.; Barringer, Dwight, San Francisco, Calif.; Barron, Tommy, Dallas, Texas; Beatty, Ed, Vallejo, Calif.

Boaz, Larry, Detroit, Mich.; Brewer, Dick, Chicago, Ill.; Bronko, Henry, Detroit, Mich.; Brooks, Joey, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Bruce, Curtis, Newark, N. J.; Butler, Malcolm, Akron, Ohio.

Caballero, Rocky, Corpus Christi, Texas; Calandra, Mario, Buffalo, N. Y.; Cardenas, Joe, Los Angeles, Calif.; Carroll, Mike, Indianapolis, Ind.; Carter, Al, Charleston, W. Va.; Casey, Hank, San Francisco, Calif.; Cemulini, Luigi, Buffalo, N. Y.; Chimenti, George, New York, N. Y.

Citizen, Connie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Clark, Al, Pittsburg, Calif.; Cody, Jim, Oakland, Calif.; Coefield, Curtis, Los Angeles, Calif.; Coles, Curtis, Rankin, Pa.; Collins, Billy, Springville, N. Y.; Collins, Willie, Chattahoochee, Fla.; Cruz, Abe, Chicago, Ill.

Damphier, Bruce, Lindhurst, N. J.; Danto, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Davis, Hank, Tucson, Ariz.; DeLuca, Joe, Philadelphia, Pa.; Demery, Jim, Topeka, Kan.; Diggs, Willie, Chicago, Ill.; Dixon, Hal, Austin, Texas; Dixon, Tommy, Long Island, N. Y.; Doherty, Mickey, Ireland; Doncaster, Ted, Canada.

Edwards, Gil, New York, N. Y.; Endley, Mick, England; Evans, Bob, Detroit, Mich.; Farese, Al, Boston, Mass.; Feldman, Marty, Philadelphia, Pa.; Fields, Tommy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Franklin, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.

Garcia, Margarito, Mexico; Gill, Sonny, Pasadena, Calif.; Gillam, Russ, Los Angeles, Calif.; Glennon, Richie, New York, N. Y.; Glover, Charlie, Cincinnati, Ohio; Gomes, Joe, Providence, R. I.; Graham, Wayne, Los Angeles, Calif.; Green, Leroy, Kansas City, Kan.; Gray, Earl, New Orleans, La.

Hamilton, Bill, Dallas, Texas; Haney, Berry, Boston, Mass.; Hank, Henry, Detroit, Mich.; Hansen, Bob, Milwaukee, Wis.; Harrington, Bill, Columbus, Ohio; Hegerty, Jim, St. Paul, Minn.; Hobbs, Johnny, Chicago, Ill.; Hobbs, Willie, Augusta, Ga.; Horton, Al, Sylacauga, Ala.; Houston, John, Oakland, Calif.; Howard, Jim, Stockton, Calif.

Jackson, Al, Reno, Nev.; Jackson, Bobby, Cleveland, Ohio; Jiminez, Pedro, Vallejo, Calif.; Johnson, Charley, Dallas, Texas; Johnson, Earl, Philadelphia, Pa.; Johnson, Glen, Houston, Texas; Johnson, Sam, Pittsburg, Calif.; Jones, Richard, Pasadena, Calif.; Jones, Tom, Paterson, N. J.; Jose, Don, Oakland, Calif.

Ketchell, Stan, Portland, Me.; Ketcherside, Cloyd, St. Louis, Mo.; Kirk, Tommy, Levittown, Pa.; Khelfa, Said, Algeria; Kuster, Dick, Bay City, Mich.; LaPola, Frank, Orange, N. J.; Lawless, Tommy, Charleston, S. C.; Lee, Howard, Milwaukee, Wis.; Lester, Clifton, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lewis, Gene, Miami, Fla.; Lewis,, Jay, Sacramento, Calif.; Lewis, YoYo, Seattle, Wash.

Lockhart, Stockton, Calif.; Lois, Distino, New York, N. Y.; Longoria, Tino, Houston, Texas; Lopez, Richie, Mexico; Lortez, Al, San Francisco, Calif.; Louis, Young Joe, Augusta, Ga.; Lowery, Dick, College Point, N. Y.; Luedee, Jerry, Kearny, N. J.

McAteer, Don, Paterson, N. J.; McBride, Paddy, Philadelphia, Pa.; McCallum, Spider, Missoula, Mont.; McCartney, Larry, Toledo, Ohio; McLane, Bob, Elko, Nev.; Martinez, Carlos, Mexico; Martinez, Robert, San Antonio, Texas; Masciarelli, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Mattos, Jimmy, Lawrence, Mass.

Micheaux, Stan, Rahway, N. J.; Milne, Bob, Spokane, Wash.; Mojica, George, San Francisco, Calif.; Monroe, Archie, Baltimore, Md.; Monroe, Marlin, Seaside, Calif.; Montella, Bill, New York, N. Y.; Morgan, Bob, New Orleans, La.

Neal, John, Milwaukee, Wis.; Necero, Tony, Warren, Ohio; Nichols, Bobby, Pleasantville, N. J.; Noel, Johnny, New York, N. Y.; Olivera, Che, Cuba; Osbey, Larry, New Orleans, La.; Owens, Lee, Syracuse, N. Y.

Padilla, Gil, Oakland, Calif.; Pallechia, Ralph, Leominster, Mass.; Peapealalo, Fesuluai, Samoa; Pelino, Tony, Hollywood, Calif.; Piau, Marcel, Canada; Poag, Sam, Irving, Texas.

Redman, Harold, Beaumont, Texas; Reed, Richie, Tacoma, Wash.; Renfroe, Willie, Hartford, Conn.; Riley, Clarence, Detroit, Mich.; Roberts, Wayne, Tampa, Fla.; Rocha, John, Chicago, Ill.; Rodriquez, Benny, Decoto, Calif.; Romero, Frank, Hollywood, Calif.

Sampson, Phelan, Seattle, Wash.; Savage, Mickey, Syracuse, N. Y.; Savato, Joe, Yonkers, N. Y.; Schmozle, Joe, Minneapolis, Minn.; Simonetti, Tommy, Hollywood, Fla.; Skinner, Jimmy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Smith, Jesse, Philadelphia, Pa.

Spears, Eddie, Dayton, Ohio; Stanich, Lou, Youngstown, Ohio; Steele, Byron, San Antonio, Texas; Stevens, Willie, Reno, Nev.; Stevenson, Vern, Canada; Swinbourne, Bob, Chicago, Ill.

Tedejas, Juan, Clarksmill, N. Y.; Terry, Fred, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tessier, Gerry, Springfield, Mass.; Traitz, Steve, Philadelphia, Pa.; Troy, Eddie, Detroit, Mich.; Vasquez, Everett, Los Angeles, Calif.; Volpe, Lupo (Rocky), Chicago, Ill.

Walker, Leffie, Saginaw, Mich.; Washington, Joe, Philadelphia, Pa.; Watkins, Rudy, Baltimore, Md.; Woods, Ernie, Hollywood, Calif.

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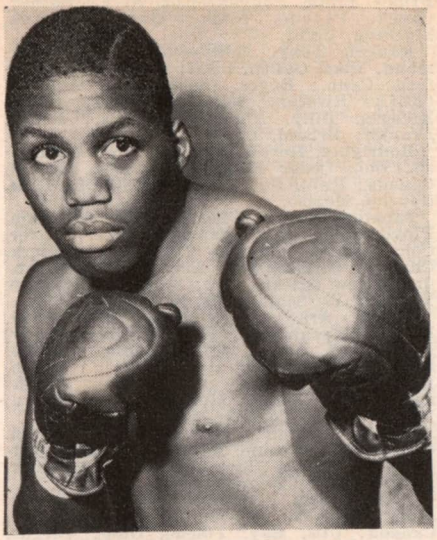

JOHNNY SAXTON

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)
World Champion
Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y.

Group I
1—Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y.

Group II
1—Tony DeMarco, Boston, Mass.
2—Johnny Saxton, Brooklyn, N. Y.
3—Ramon Fuentes, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Vince Martinez, Paterson, N. J.
5—Isaac Logart, Cuba
6—Virgil Akins, St. Louis, Mo.
7—Del Flanagan, St. Paul, Minn.
8—Joe Miceli, New York, N. Y.
9—George Barnes, Australia
10—Maurice Harper, Oakland, Calif.
11—Hector Constance, Trinidad, BWI
12—Art Aragon, Los Angeles, Calif.

Group III
1—Chico Vejar, Stamford, Conn.
2—Oscar Pita, Argentina
3—Idrissa Dione, France
4—Wally Thom, England
5—Bep Van Klaveren, Holland (Retired)

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Class A

Araujo, Georgie, Providence, R. I.; Beecham, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.; Bellotti, Stefano, Italy; Benedetto, Valere, France; Black, Jed, Jansville, Wis.; Blue Irvin, Panama; Bratton, Johnny, Chicago, Ill.; Brown, Johnny, Chicago, Ill.; Buker II, Ben, Morocco.

Castaneda, Joe, Mexico; Chavez, Carlos, Los Angeles, Calif.; Chiocca, Sauveur, France; Christensen, Chris, Denmark; Clottey, Attu, Gold Coast; Conscripto, El, Mexico; Cook, Clarence, Monroe, La.; Cotton, Charlie, Toledo, Ohio.

Davey, Chuck, Lansing, Mich.; Diaz, Miguel, Cuba; Drouin, Jerry, Canada; Espana, Ismael, Venezuela; Ford, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.; Garbelli, Gaetano, Italy; Giovanelli, Danny, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Handke, Warner, Germany; Harrington, Stan, Hawaii; Harris, Clarence (Duke), Detroit, Mich.; Herbillon, Jacques, France; Lowry, Pat, Toledo, Ohio.

Josato, Jake, Philadelphia, Pa.; McFater, Alan, Canada; Marconi, Emilio, Italy; Melis, Paolo, Canada; Murphy, Bob, Brighton, Mass.; Nieuwenhuizen, Benny, South Africa; O'Brien, Jackie, Meriden, Conn.; Poirer, Gene, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Rawlings, Luther, Chicago, Ill.; Rivera, Manuel, Mexico; Rocha, Manuel, Mexico; Sawyer, Charlie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Tiscareno, Ramon, Los Angeles, Calif.; Waterman, Peter, England; Wilson, Al, Englewood, N. J.; Yongrikrit, Somdez, Thailand.

Class B

Acosta, Gus, Cuba; Allison, Barry, Westover, Mass.; Alston, Roy, Trenton, N. J.; Amador, Alex, San Francisco, Calif.; Argote, Augustin, Spain.

Bahama, Yama, Bimini, Fla.; Baker, Larry, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Barbara, Al, San Francisco, Calif.; Barrow, Teddy, Wales; Beagley, Billy, New Zealand; Bickle, Bobby, Topeka, Kan.

Bogart, Jesse, Mexico; Bonomo, Vince, New Orleans, La.; Brant, Eddie, Dayton, Ohio; Brown, Andrew, New Orleans, La.; Brown, Darby, Australia; Burrow, Siegfred, Germany; Busso, Johnny, New York, N. Y.

Cardell, Vic, Hartford, Conn.; Carr, Louis, Chicago, Ill.; Carter, George, Ft. Worth, Texas; Cervantes, Dave, Baja, Calif.; Cesario, Johnny, Hartford, Conn.; Chartrand, Reggie, Canada; Chiocca, Felix, France.

Cockrell, Frankie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Collins, Mel, Trenton, N. J.; Connors, Eddie, Sharon, Mass.; Correa, Manuel, Spain; Crawley, Larry, Plainfield, N. J.

Dambele, Benjamin, West Africa; DeCerio, Jimmy, Norristown, Pa.; DeSylva, Raphael, Portugal; Dennis, Earl, New York, N. Y.; Diaz, Gabriel, Mexico; DiGilio, Johnny, Bayonne, N. J.; Douglass, Bobby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dreyer, Gerry, South Africa; Dupas, Tony, New Orleans, La.; Easterling, George, Port Arthur, Texas; Edwin, Jose, Panama; Echevarria, Vicente, Spain; Eubank, Johnny, Pittsburg, Pa.; Felton, Lester, Detroit, Mich.; Flores, Alfonso, Mexico.

Gil, Cirilo, Argentina; Goldstein, Dick, Santa Monica, Calif.; Gonzalez, Santiago, Mexico; Goodman, Gordon, England; Greer, Ernie, Sacramento, Calif; Guerra, Fedrico, Argentina; Gwin, Rudy, Cleveland, Ohio.

Happe, George, England; Harper, Billy, Washington, D. C.; Hart, Garnett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hase, Gunter, Germany; Hoxey, Dixon, Seattle, Wash.

Jack, Beau, Augusta, Ga.; Jackson, Buddy, Jamestown, N. Y.; Jimenez, Julio Cesar, Mexico; Johnson, Willie, Jacksonville, Fla.; Jones, Harold (Baby Face), Detroit, Mich.; Juergens, Al, San Antonio, Texas.

Kennedy, Alan, Bay City, Mich.; Kim, Phil, Hawaii; King, Peter, England; Klein, Joey, New York, N. Y.; Lane, Dick, Billings, Mont.; Lepido, Billy, New York, N. Y.; Lynch, Billy, Hartford, Conn.

McDonald, Buddy, Canada; Manzi, Pat, Syracuse, N. Y.; Minelli, Livio, Long Island City, N. Y.; Molloy, Tommy, England; Muniz, Gilberto, El Paso, Texas; Murray, Ted, Long Island City, N. Y.

Nee, Tommy, Boston, Mass.; Northrup, Mickey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Ortega, Gasper, Mexico; Padilla, Juan, Mexico; Percy, Tony, Canada; Perez, Danny Jo, New York, N. Y.; Perez, Raoul, Cuba; Perrault, Jimmy, Duluth, Minn.; Portilla, Ray, New York, N. Y.; Prigent, Jacques, France.

Rodriguez, Rolando, Cuba; Ross, Milton, Philippines; Sanders, Bob, San Francisco, Calif.; Sarlo, Carlo, Chicago, Ill.; Skidmore, Frankie, San Francisco, Calif.; Steen, Irvin, San Diego, Calif.; St. Louis, Boswell, Trinidad; Sudduth, Billy, Topeka, Kan.

Thompson, Federico, Argentina; Valentini, Luigi, Italy; Vance, Babe, Quinlan, Texas; Vazquez, Luis, Mexico; Vernaglione, Umberto, Italy; Vega, Pirrin, Mexico; Villafara, Al, New Orleans, La.; Visconi, Franco, Italy.

Watkins, Jimmy, Buffalo, N. Y.; Whitewater, Archie, Eureka, Calif.; Williams, Ernie (Sonny Boy), Washington, D. C.; Winslow, Woody, Los Angeles, Calif.; Wouters, Pierre, Belgium; Yontrakit, Somdez, Thailand; Ziyaris, Taki, Turkey.

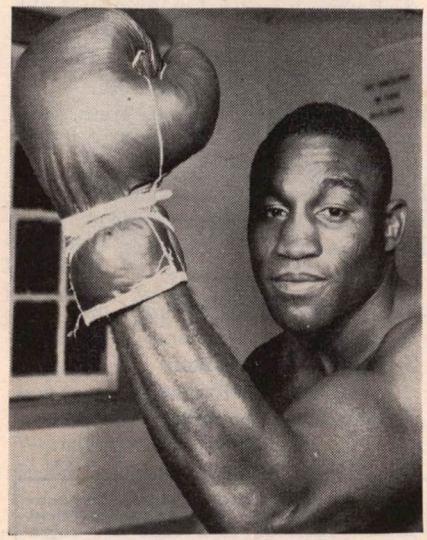
Class C

Abner, Henry, New York, N. Y.; Acosta, Joey, Hollywood, Calif.; Alderson, Don, Cannonsburg, Pa.; Alexander, Al, Portland, Ore.; Alonzo, Lorenzo, El Paso, Texas; Alvarado, Toby, San Jose, Calif.; Alvarez, Ralph, St. Paul, Minn.; Apollo, Ray, Newark, N. J.; Armstrong, Jack, Gold Coast; Asti, Eddie, Hollywood, Calif.

Bailey, Bertram, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Barnes, Bobby, Buffalo, N. Y.; Beasley, Charley, Houston, Tex.; Beasley, Herman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Beau, Baby, Atlanta, Ga.; Benson, Felix, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bergeron, Junior, New Orleans, La.; Bertrand, Joe, Port Arthur, Texas.

Black, Jerry, Philadelphia, Pa.; Blevens, Billy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bombiani, Frank, Ardmore, Pa.; Boudreaux, Al, Westwego, La.; Brewster, Wilfredo, Panama; Brown, Henry, Augusta, Ga.; Brown, Poppa, Portland, Ore.; Brunson, Carl, Seattle, Wash.; Bush, Armand, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Cannady, Richie, Newark, N. J.; Caporale, Carl, Hazleton, Pa.; Cardenas, Danny, Houston, Texas; Carrillo, Dick, Antioch, Calif.; Castillo, Lou, Richmond, Calif.; Castillo, Manuel, Los Angeles, Calif.; Cates, Ed, New Orleans, La.;

Chaline, Irving, Lake Charles, La.; Chung, Lindford, Hawaii.
Cira, Dan, Orange, Texas; Clark, Billy, Westfield, Mass.; Cochrane, Dave, Buffalo, N. Y.; Coleman, Toby, Rochester, N. Y.; Compotis, Ray, Holyoke, Mass.; Coulson, Johnny, Sacramento, Calif.; Courtney, Chuck, Oakland, Calif.; Croll, Jimmy, Scotland.
Daniels, Curly, Stockton, Calif.; Davi, Vince, Los Angeles, Calif.; Davis, Blaine, Boise, Idaho; Davis, Forest, Los Angeles, Calif.; Davis, Manny, New York, N. Y.; Davis, Russell, Reno, Nev.; Deputy, Harry, Pottsville, Pa.
DiBiase, Tony, New York, N. Y.; DiMozio, Arnold, Paterson, N. J.; Dixon, Al, Long Island City, N. Y.; Duarte, Chato, Mexico; Duplesse, Nolan, New Orleans, La.; Dupree, Jimmy, Compton, Calif.; Durando, Joey, Lyndhurst, N. J.; Duty, Dusty, Los Angeles, Calif.
Epps, Billy, Youngstown, Ohio; Ernston, Don, Salt Lake City, Utah; Escalara, Federico, Puerto Rico; Estrella, Carlos, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fields, Jimmy, Monroe, La.; Figaro, Andy, New York, N. Y.
Ford, Eddie, Chicago, Ill.; Foster, Chuck, Omaha, Neb.; Fowler, Jerry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Foy, Carl, Houston, Texas; Fraser, Gerry, Canada.
Gage, Lou, Oakland, Calif.; Gallant, Butsy, Boston, Mass.; Gallegos, Joey, San Francisco, Calif.; Garcia, Al, Salt Lake City, Utah; Gardiner, Guy, Dishman, Wash.; Garris, Devan, Farmersville, La.; Garza, Al, Wilmington, Calif.
Garza, Joe, Detroit, Mich.; Gaston, Sid, Chicago, Ill.; Gaudette, Stony, Hartford, Conn.; Gautreau, Norm, Worcester, Mass.; Gavilan, Kid II, Cuba; Gillespie, Johnny, Benton Harbor, Mich.
Glasgow, R. D., Stockton, Calif.; Gonzales, Tony, Houston, Texas; Gonzalez, Gato, Mexico; Goslow, Denny, Worcester, Mass.; Grant, Dave, Boston, Mass.; Greco, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.; Griffiths, Buddy, Trenton, N. J.; Guberia, Johnny, McAllen, Texas; Guerrette, Guy, Hartford, Conn.; Gutierrez, Rafael, Mexico.
Hampton, Cleveland, New Orleans, La.; Hegge, Warren, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Hendrix, Tony, Detroit, Mich.; Holguin, Gilbert, El Paso, Texas; Holly, Cisco, Providence, R. I.; Holman, Paul, Alliston, Mass.; Hopkins, Johnny, Cut and Shoot, Texas; Howard, Johnny, New Orleans, La.
Ingram, Gene, Oakland, Calif.; Jackson, Emilio, Venezuela; James, Eddie, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jefferson, Timmie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jenkins, Ike, New York, N. Y.; Johns, Gene, New York, N. Y.; Johnson, Al, Benton Harbor, Mich.; Johnson, Dave, San Francisco, Calif.; Johnson, Henry, Dallas, Texas.
Jones, Bobby, Houston, Texas; Jones, Edgar, Merced, Calif.; Jones, Jesse, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jones, Jimmy, Stockton, Calif.; Jordan, JoJo, Miami, Fla.; Jordan, Mickey, San Francisco, Calif.
Kaheaku, Johnny, Hawaii; Kennington, Don, Star Valley, Wyo.; Kiernan, Billy, England; Kirkpatrick, Lloyd, El Paso, Texas; LaCrosse, Sammy, Modesto, Calif.; LaDoll, Frankie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lani, Mitchell, Hawaii.
Lee, Robert, E., Houston, Texas; Lisby, Johnny, New York, N. Y.; Lopez, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lord, Sonny, New York, N. Y.; Lowry, Wes, Allentown, Pa.; Lozano, Marcelino, Houston, Texas; Lynch, Eddie, New York, N. Y.
McArthur, Fred, Brooklyn, N. Y.; McKinney, Fritzie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; McLane, Richie, Elko, Nev.; McQueen, Al, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Mackin, Lyle, Richmond, Calif.; Maddox, Tommy, Chicago, Ill.; Maes, Andy, Denver, Colo.; Maglieri, Al, Hartford, Conn.
Mahar, Pat, New York, N. Y.; Marcus, Jerry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Marino, Dave, Bakersfield, Calif.; Martina, Reggie, Charlestown, W. Va.; Martinez, Ray, Butte, Mont.; Medieros, Sonny, Taunton, Mass.; Mendoza, Rudy, Los Angeles, Calif.
Miguel, Carlos, Cuba; Miller, Bob, Oakland, Calif.; Milne, Ron, Spokane, Wash.; Milton, Johnny, Oakland, Calif.; Mims, Sam, Charlotte, N. C.; Mocaby, George, Seattle, Wash.; Moss, Morris, Cincinnati, Ohio; Murphy, Joe, Stockton, Calif.
Nance, Abe, Stockton, Calif.; Nelson, Bobby, New York, N. Y.; Nethers, Bid, Zanesville, Ohio; Norman, Uriah (Bubba), New Haven, Conn.
O'Neil, Jentrice, St. Paul, Minn.; Ochoa, Chico, St. Louis, Mo.; Oliver, Eddie, Windsor, Conn.; Orlando, Jackie, New York, N. Y.; Otero, Manny, Los Angeles, Calif.
Paialii, Pasia, Hawaii; Patino,, Polo, Galveston, Texas; Peck, Amen, Tampa, Fla.; Penna, Frankie Della, Boston, Mass.; Peralto, Hector, Dayton, Ohio; Perez, Joe, Hollywood, Calif.; Perrotta, Frank, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Perry, Gordon, Providence, R. I.; Perry, John L., Detroit, Mich.
Peters, Jimmy, Washington, D. C.; Peterson, Ralph, Pleasantville, N. J.; Pineiro, Mariano, New York, N. Y.; Piper, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Pollard, Bill, Dallas, Texas; Powell, Johnny, Baton Rouge, La.; Prince, Eddie, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Putney, Chuck, Payette, Idaho; Quarles, Frank, Stockton, Calif.
Rangel, Tony, Hollywood, Calif.; Raymond, Mike, Ogden, Utah; Reed, Ray, Hartford, Conn.; Reyes, George, Los Angeles, Calif.; Riveron, Ricky, Denver, Colo.; Roberts, Billy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Roche, Frankie, Bristol, Conn.
Rodriguez, Herbie, New Orleans, La.; Rossie, Bob, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Roy, Gaston, Canada; Rubi, Bob, Daly City, Calif.; Ruiz, Chucho, Mexico.
Sabater, Philip, Puerto Rico; Sampson, Floyd, Reno, Nev.; Sanchez, Jake, Denver, Colo.; Santos, Lou, New York, N. Y.; Sazera, Charley, Birmingham, Ala.; Sciambra, Andrew, New Orleans, La.; Scott, Carlin, New York, N. Y.; Scott, Solis, New Orleans, La.
Seifer, Arley, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Shell, Bobby, Washington, D. C.; Silvia, Toby, Fall River, Mass.; Sims, Eddie, Chicago, Ill.; Smith, Charley, Detroit, Mich.; Smith, Ernie, Rochester, Pa.; Smith, Frank, Cincinnati, Ohio; Smith, Henry W., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Smith, Tommy, Providence, R. I.
Sparks, Jimmy, Detroit, Mich.; Steel, George, San Antonio, Texas; Stevenson, Willie, Boston, Mass.; Stewart, Rudy, New York, N. Y.; Stubbs, Reybon, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Terry, Mario, New York, N. Y.; Thomas, Jose, Trenton, N. J.; Tortorice, Gene, Canada; Ulis, Ray, Toledo, Ohio; Vargas, Alex, Galveston, Texas; Vaughn, Ike, Cleveland, Ohio; Villareal, Andrew, Robstown, Texas.
Wagoner, Dave, Oroville, Calif.; Wailani, Sam, Hawaii; Wallach, Itzy, New York, N. Y.; Warren, Smutt, Reno, Nev.; Washington, Benny, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Washington, Pete, Chicago, Ill.
Weller, Don, St. Paul, Minn.; Wells, Al, Butte, Mont.; West, Junius, New Orleans, La.; White, Henry, Cincinnati, Ohio; White, Joe, Philadelphia, Pa.; Williams, Jack, Canada; Williams, Virgil, Monroe, Mich.
Winchman, Henny, New York, N. Y.; Woodson, Major, Detroit, Mich.; Woolwine, Curtis, Beaumont, Texas; Wright, Norman, New York, N. Y.; Wright, Ted, Detroit, Mich.; Zotto, Iggy, Brooklyn, N. Y.



JAMES CARTER

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)
World Champion
Wallace (Bud) Smith, Cincinnati, O.

Group I
1—Wallace (Bud) Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio
2—James Carter, New York, N. Y.
3—Duilio Loi, Italy
4—Frankie Ryff, New York, N. Y.
5—Ralph Dupas, New Orleans, La.
6—Cisco Andrade, Compton, Calif.
7—Johnny Gonsalves, Oakland, Calif.
8—Ludwig Lightburn, British Honduras

Group II
1—Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Mich.
2—Orlando Zulueta, Cuba
3—Joe Lopes, Sacramento, Calif.
4—Eddie Chavez, San Jose, Calif.
5—Seraphin Ferrer, France
6—Arthur Persley, Red Crosse, La.
7—Paddy DeMarco, Brooklyn, N. Y.
8—Richie Howard, Canada
9—Baby Vasquez, Mexico
10—Don Jordan, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Class A
Alonzo, Leo, Philippines; Barreto, Luis, Venezuela; Bini, Dante, France; Blair, Jackie, Dallas, Texas; Boardman, Larry, Marlboro, Conn.; Bonnici, Sammy, Malta; Brady, Dennis Pat, New York, N. Y.; Brown, Henry, Philadelphia, Pa.; Brown, Joe, New Orleans, La.
Cantor, Solly, Canada; Carrara, Louis, France; Centella, Kid, Nicarauga; Cicarelli, Mario, Italy; Coluzzi, Luigi, Italy.
Flanagan, Glen, St. Paul, Minn.; Godih, Laouari, France; Gony, Star, Philippines; Gonzales, Beto, Mexico.
Khalfi, Hoacine, Algeria; Johnson, Frank, England; Lucy, Joe, England.
Monroe, George (Curly), Worcester, Mass.; Morgan, L. C., Youngstown, Ohio; Ortiz, Baby, Mexico; Ortiz, Enrique, Mexico.
Penaloza, Tobe, Mexico; Perez, Lulu, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Plummer, Federico, Panama; Prada, Alfredo, Argentina.
Ramponi, Art, Oakland, Calif.; Randell, Rocky, Tampa, Fla.; Savino, Nestor, Argentina; Savoie, Armand, Canada; Silva, Fernando, Cuba; Toweel, Willie, South Africa; Van Rensburg, Johnny, South Africa; Visintin, Bruno, Italy; Woods, Bobby, Spokane, Wash.

Class B
Abrams, Boland, Philadelphia, Pa.; Agostina, Americo, Australia; Aguilar, Bombero, Mexico; Aguirre, Pete, Los Angeles, Calif.; Akivei, Ray, Gold Coast; Akiyama, Masahi, Japan.
Amoroso, Freddy (Sonny), Oakland, Calif.; Arel, Andy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arguelles, Jose, Mexico; Armstead, Larry, New Orleans, La.; Artist, Benny, New York, N. Y.
Bally, Jet, Philippines; Barragan, Carlos, Mexico; Bent, Rudolph, British Honduras; Beraza, Canillo, Spain; Berry, George, Gary, Ind.; Bertolino, Eddie, Galveston, Texas.
Bonetti, Americo, Argentina; Bonnardel, Francis, France; Bracken, George, Australia; Butler, Gene, Baltimore, Md.; Byars, Walter, Boston, Mass.
Calcutt, Jimmy, Florence, S. C.; Cam, Joey, Boston, Mass.; Cantiberos, Larry, Hawaii; Carabajal, Beto, Mexico; Castillo, Tomas, Mexico; Charnley, Dave, England; Chavez, Fabala, Los Angeles, Calif.
Clarke, Colin, Australia; Clemmons, Earl, Baltimore, Md.; Coates, Carl, Baltimore, Md.; Collazo, Damasco, Cuba; Collins, George, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Colonia, Chino, Mexico; Connors, Dexter, Canada; Corma, Eddie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Cummings, Charlie, Philadelphia, Pa.
Davis, Danny, Minneapolis, Minn.; Davis, Henry, Los Angeles, Calif.; De Champotom, Pantera, Mexico; Devos, Georges, Belgium; Dillon, Willie, Chicago, Ill.; Donnell, Abel, Hawaii; Dunn, Georgie, Canada.
Elston, Peter, Australia; Esqueda, Enrique, Mexico; Evatt, Buddy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Filippo, Lou, Los Angeles, Calif.; Flores, Tommy, Stockton, Calif.; Fuentes, Severo, Philippines.
Gaines, Leonard, Oakland, Calif.; Gallardo, Lalo, Mexico; Garcia, Francisco Colon, Puerto Rico; Garcia, Hector, Mexico; Gomez, Enrique, Mexico; Gorman, Johnny, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gracia, Guy, France; Graves, Jackie, Austin, Minn.; Gutierrez, Alvardo, Mexico; Gusman, Aladino, Hawaii.
Hackney, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hart, Johnny, Phoenix, Ariz.; Henry, J. W. (Kid), Orange, Texas; Hidalgo, Domingo, Mexico; Humphreys, Noel, Charlestown, W. Va.
Jackson, Nat (Killer), New Orleans, La.; Johnson, Norman, Milwaukee, Wis.; Juarez, Kid, Mexico; Justine, George, Philadelphia, Pa.
Kamara, Morley, France; Kawala, Pete, Canada; Kelly, Brian, Canada; Kerwin, Gale, Valley Stream, N. Y.; Lorenzo, Joe, Cuba; Lucero, Fidel, Mexico.
McCray, Johnny, Houston, Texas; McHugh, Bobby, Boston, Mass.; Macias, Jorge,

Mexico; Manaois, Tommy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Manolete, Baby, Columbia; Manzo, Libby, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Marie, Basil, Charlestown, W. Va.; Mason, Don, Milwaukee, Wis.

Medina, Juan, Cuba; Medley, Doug, Louisville, Ky.; Mejia, Ray, Mexico; Mendoza, Manuel, Mexico; Mente, Aldo, New York, N. Y.; Milan, Sergio, Italy; Miller, Johnny, England.

Moffitt, Bobby, Los Angeles, Calif.; Molina, Marcelino, Venezuela; Murphy, Arthur, England; Nelson, Willard, Portland, Ore.; Nevarez, Al, Mexico; Nollett, Fernand, France.

Omodei, Annibale, Italy; Oriental, Bombon, Cuba; Ortiz, Babe, Mountain View, Calif.; Ortiz, Carlos, New York, N. Y.; Pena, Marcelino, Mexico; Pina, Pedro, Mexico; Ptak, Edouard, France; Puleo, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Randle, Nunu, Richmond, Calif.; Reynolds, Joe, St. Louis, Mo.; Riojas, Ray, Ft. Worth, Texas; Rosi, Paolo, Italy.

Sanchez, Jose, Mexico; Santiago, Dan, Hawaii; Sequeria, Frankie, Oakland, Calif.; Slaughter, Charlie, Westfield, N. J.; Soo, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.

Takach, Gene, Trenton, N. J.; Takano, Steve, Hawaii; Tanner, Allen, British Guiana; Tibbs, Tommy, Boston, Mass.; Tissong, Alby, South Africa; Trejo, Yuyin, Mexico; Van Klaveren, Piet, Holland; Vargas, Marcelo, Mexico; Ward, Steve, Hartford, Conn.; Zielke, Mickey, LaCrosse, Wis.

Class C

Abasta, Joey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Aceves, Hank, Los Angeles, Calif.; Aciro, Felix, Hawaii; Acusti, Bobby, Hawaii; Adams, Don, New Orleans, La.; Ambrosio, Joe, Mexico.

Anderson, Sammy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Antonetti, Eddy, Puerto Rico; Armenta, Frankie, Kennewick, Wash.; Armstrong, Jim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arroyo, Chico, Los Angeles, Calif.

Bacquettes, Hector, New Orleans, La.; Bagley, Ron (Roland), Chicago, Ill.; Barnes, John, Detroit, Mich.; Barrow, Hankin, II, Panama; Barto, Tommy, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Beau, Rocky, Holyoke, Mass.; Bell, Harry, New York, N. Y.; Beltrante, Tony, Philadelphia, Pa.; Berg, Tommy, Seattle, Wash.; Bibbs, Bernie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bond, Bobby, Miami, Fla.; Boraccio, Tony, Italy.

Brewer, Jim, Ft. Worth, Texas; Brooks, Leon, Trenton, N. J.; Brown, Pat, Victoria, Texas; Brown, Willie, New York, N. Y.; Brown, Willie, Vallejo, Calif.; Bruce, Clarence, Oakland, Calif.

Campbell, Eddie, Pawtucket, R. I.; Canales, Dala, Hawaii; Carillo, Ramon, Hollywood, Calif.; Carrizales, Pete, Corpus Christi, Texas; Caravajal, Mario, Mexico; Carvalho, Ray, Hawaii; Castro, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.

Celano, Tony, Baltimore, Md.; Cervantes, Ralph, Rockford, Ill.; Cheatum, Dave, New Orleans, La.; Chester, Don, San Francisco, Calif.; Clay, Harry, Philadelphia, Pa.; Compos, Vic, New York, N. Y.; Corbett, Ray, England; Cosmo, Dee, Hawaii.

Dagga, Frankie, Providence, R. I.; D'Avy, Joe, Toole, Utah; DeCola, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.; DeMura, Jimmy, Syracuse, N. Y.; Dixon, Dunn, Detroit, Mich.; Dixon, Frankie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Droddy, Marvin, Houston, Texas; Duarte, Al, New Bedford, Mass.

Earnhardt, Buck, Spartanburg, S. C.; East, Floyd, Lake Charles, La.; Edwards, Nick, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Elder, Tommy, Cleveland, Ohio; Elliott, Bill, Reno, Nev.; English, Tommy, Columbus, Ohio; Escobar, Willie, San Diego, Calif.

Farrar, Paul, Farmersville, La.; Ferguson, Mel, Galveston, Texas; Fitzgerald, Chuck, Sacramento, Calif.; Flaggs, Frankie, Detroit, Mich.; Flores, Armando, Houston, Texas; Flores, Bobby, Houston, Texas.

Fortuno, Sammy, Canada; Fowler, Lloyd, Los Angeles, Calif.; Frazier, Bunky, Washington, D. C.; Frazier, Willie, St. Louis, Mo.; Freese, Frankie, New York, N. Y.

Gadson, Nicki, Elizabeth, N. J.; Galez, Joey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gallagher, Tommy, Baltimore, Md.; Gallegos, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gamboa, Baby, Mexico; Gamboa, Mickey, Hollywood, Calif.

Garcia, Hector, Los Angeles, Calif.; Garcia, Louis, Hayward, Calif.; Garcia, Valentine, Corpus Christi, Texas; Gardner, Billy, New York, N. Y.; Gariby, Al, Stockton, Calif.; Garza, Bobby, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Gonzales, Ramon, Sacramento, Calif.; Gonzalez, Orlando, Cuba; Goyette, Frank, Providence, R. I.; Graham, Leroy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Graham, Paddy, Ireland; Greb, Syd, England; Guzzetti, Joe, Watertown, N. Y.

Hainsworth, Lorenzo, Beaumont, Texas; Hall, Teddy, Seattle, Wash.; Harrington, Ike, Southwalk, Pa.; Harris, Buddy, Pontiac, Mich.; Harvey, Bobby, Scranton, Pa.; Henderson, Eddie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hernandez, Eddie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Hinson, Dennis, England; Hodge, Billy, Tyler, Texas.

Innes, Mike, Hawaii; Ishimine, Charles, Hawaii; Johnson, Grady, Pontiac, Mich.; Johnson, Walter, Paterson, N. J.; Jones, Billy, Syracuse, N. Y.; Jones, Emrys, Wales; Juliano, Johnny, Hartford, Conn.; Junior, Young, Springfield, Mass.

Kelley, Pat, Lawrence, Mass.; Kilburn, Bobby, Worcester, Mass.; Labowski, Lulu, Canada; Larosa, Don, Buffalo, N. Y.; Lavol, Bola, Gold Coast.

LeCompte, Dave, Philadelphia, Pa.; Leggett, Eli, Detroit, Mich.; Lewis, Jimmy, Minneapolis, Minn.; Lewis, Joey, New Orleans, La.; Lewis, Ray, Oakland, Calif.; Lii, Josiah, Hawaii; Ludy, Napoleon, Detroit, Mich.; Lupo, Artie, Hartford, Conn.

Madison, Frankie, New York, N. Y.; Maldonado, Chico, Puerto Rico; Manny, Maurice, Canada; Manuel, Roland, Ft. Worth, Texas; Mara, Harold, Hawaii; Mathews, Ernie, Boston, Mass.; Mayberry, Clyde, New Orleans, La.

Meeks, Benny, Chicago, Ill.; Melendez, Danny, Hawaii; Mendoza, Danny, New York, N. Y.; Messina, Freddy, Paterson, N. J.; Miller, Elmo, Buffalo, N. Y.; Miller, Lem, New York, N. Y.; Mitchell, Mike (Gypsy), Sacramento, Calif.

Molinar, Marcial, Panama; Moore, Al, Sacramento, Calif.; Morgan, Billy, Miami, Fla.; Moulton, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Munoz, Manuel, Mexico; Murphy, Dick, St. Paul, Minn.

Naruphai, Omsarp, Thailand; Neeves, Frankie, Newport, R. I.; Norwood, Claude, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Olmstead, Merrill, Springfield, Mass.; Ortega, Felix, Mexico; Oubre, Art, Bunkie, La.

Pacheco, Juan, Puerto Rico; Paredes, Jose, Mexico; Perez, Juilan, Cuba; Perez, Mike, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pinelli, Mike, Buffalo, N. Y.; Pinkey, Lindsay, New York, N. Y.; Pumarejo, Ernesto, Puerto Rico; Quezada, Jose, Quinlan, Tex.

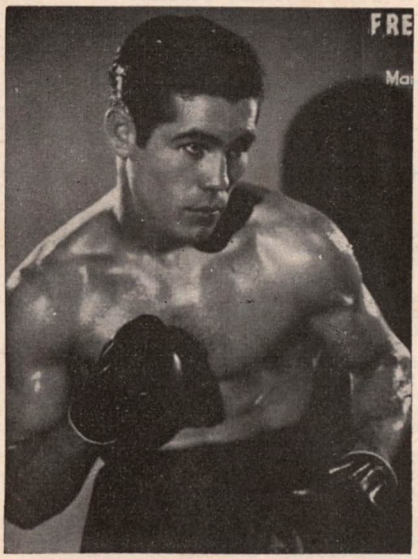
Ramajo, Bobby, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reyes, Canuto, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reyes, Tony, Los Angeles, Calif.; Richardson, Lewellyn, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Robinson, Gus, Stamford, Conn.; Robinson, Wilbur, Benton Harbor, Mich.; Rodgers, Bobby, Chicago, Ill.; Rosano, Leon, Indianapolis, Ind.; Russell, Earl (Rip), Nashville, Tenn.

Saavedra, Carlos, New Orleans, La.; Salas, Frankie, Tucson, Ariz.; Sanchez, Manny, Seattle, Wash.; Sansone, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Satchel, Bobby, Phoenix, Ariz.; Savala, Jimmy, Madera, Calif.; Schnoor, Eddie, Boise, Idaho.

Siclare, Roger, Canada; Skinner, Stan, England; Smith, Art, Fresno, Calif.; Smith, Charley, New York, N. Y.; Smith, Harold, Washington, D. C.; Smith, Marvin, Wichita, Kan.; Smith, Paul, Denver, Colo.; Smith, Stan, Hartford, Conn.; Smyer, Joe, Los Angeles, Calif.

Stribling, Ron, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Sullivan, George, San Rafael, Calif.; Sullivan, Rocky, Dorchester, Mass.; Tapia, Gil, Robstown, Texas; Urista, Daladier, Mexico.

Walker, Billy, San Francisco, Calif.; Ward, Daniel, Panama; Wiloby, Eddie, Galveston, Texas; Woods, Bobby, Akron, Ohio; Zass, Roger, Canada.



FRED GALIANA

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)
World Champion
Sandy Saddler, New York, N. Y.

Group I
1—Sandy Saddler, New York, N. Y.
2—Fred Galiana, Spain
3—Ciro Morasen, Cuba
4—Carmelo Costa, Brooklyn, N. Y.
5—Ray Famechon, France
6—Percy Bassett, Philadelphia, Pa. (Retired)
7—Teddy Davis, Hartford, Conn.
8—Hogan (Kid) Bassey, Nigeria
9—Flash Elorde, Philippines
10—Lauro Salas, Monterrey, Mexico
11—Billy Kelly, Ireland

Group II
1—Shigeru Kaneko, Japan
2—Martin Rodriguez, Cuba
3—Victor Manuel Quijano, Mexico
4—Kid Anahuac, Mexico
5—Cherif Hamia, France
6—Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.
7—Victor (Sonny) Leon, Venezuela

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Class A

Barbadoro, Nello, Italy; Bataan, Larry, Philippines; Bell, Bobby, Youngstown, Ohio; Berrios, Miguel, Puerto Rico; Black, Jimmy, Trinidad; Bourne, Melvin, Panama; Bruno, Jose, Argentina; Bunetta, Alfredo, Argentina.

Cadilli, Gil, Los Angeles, Calif.; Capato, Roger, France; Caprari, Sergio, Italy; Carrillo, Humberto, Mexico; Castillo, Orlando, Cuba; Cerasini, Alvaro, Italy; Cotero, Jose, Dallas, Texas; Courchesne, Bobby, Holyoke, Mass.; Crawford, Eddie, Akron, Ohio.

Davis, Kenny, Claredon, Texas; Echevarrisa, Orlando, Cuba; Escobar, Ben, Philippines; Escobedo, Julio, Mexico; Francis, Rodolfo, Panama.

Gallardo, Dave, Los Angeles, Calif.; Garcia, Antonio (Puppy), Cuba; Garcia, Rudy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gomes, Harold, Providence, R. I.; Gonzalito, Ricardo, Argentina.

Hernandez, Jose, Spain; Hill, Charley, Scotland; Jorgensen, Paul, Port Arthur, Texas; Langer, Rudi, Germany; Leanos, Juan, Mexico; McCarthy, Sammy, England.

Martinez, Isidro, Panama; Martinez, Santiago, Cuba; Medina, Guillermo (Chico), Venezuela; Mokone, Eliah, South Africa; Moore, Davey, Springfield, Ill.; Morales, Cesar, Mexico.

Ortiz, Manuel, El Centro, Calif.; Paliotti, Gaby, Canada; Peckham, Teddy, England; Perdomo, Manuel, Cuba; Pettili, Letterio, Italy; Ruiz, Trini, Mexico.

Saavedra, Cesar, Mexico; Smith, Reuben, Los Angeles, Calif.; Sneyers, Jean, Belgium; Sosa, Felipe, Mexico; Tesis, Pedro, Panama.

Class B

Akanuma, Akiyoshi, Japan; Aldama, Angel, Mexico; Alvarez, Manuel, Argentina; Bain, Tommy, Indianapolis, Ind.; Baltazares, Memo, Mexico; Baltazar, Baby, Philippines; Basquez, Jamie, Hawaii.

Bell, Gordon, Australia; Boland, Joe, San Antonio, Texas; Bolanos, Roberto, Mexico; Boy, Ango River, Philippines; Brooks, Nate, Cleveland, Ohio; Brown, Jim, Ireland; Burgin, Eddie, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Campeche, Kid, Mexico; Carrillo, Joaquin, Mexico; Cason, Jetro, Philadelphia, Pa.; Castillo, Luis, Mexico; Chestnut, Ike, New York, N. Y.; Chickaoui, Mohamedd, France.

Collazo, Juan, Mexico; Conteras, Luis, Mexico; Cooke, Wayne, Los Angeles, Calif.; Corrick, Tommy, Canada; Corso, Joe, Mexico; Couray, Beto, Mexico; Custer, Al, Philippines.

Daye, Buddy, Canada; DeBow, Charlie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Devish, Aime, Belgium; Dionisio, Joseph, France; Dumesnil, Jacques, France; Dundee, Baby, Philippines.

Escarlan, Paulito, Philippines; Evans, Billy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Figueroa, Ernesto, Mexico; Fuentes, Vic, Philippines; Furesi, Gavino, Italy.

Garcia, Manolo, Spain; Gonzales, Jose (Baby), Mexico; Gony, Baby, Philippines; Hernandez, Roy, Mexico; Jones, Leroy (Casey), Los Angeles, Calif.

Kaminsky, Herky, McKees Rocks, Pa.; Kiriz, Bombon, Mexico; Lane, Cleo, Richmond, Calif.; Lucero, Willie, Santa Montica, Calif.; Luna, Manola, Mexico.

Marcune, Pat, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Martinez,

Baudilo (Rocky), Mexico; Martinez, Kito, Sacramento, Calif.; Naven, Baby, Philippines; Okawa, Hiroshi, Japan; Olmos, Humberto, Mexico; Ortiz, Chamaco, Mexico.

Piper, Harold, Australia; Polidori, Altidoro; Pravisani, Aldo, Italy; Ramirez, Antonio, Mexico; Ramizetti, Dick, Detroit, Mich.; Ramos, Johnny, San Antonio, Texas; Readon, Freddie, England; Rodrigues, Jesse, Warren, Ohio; Rodrigurz, Benjamin, Cuba; Ruiz, Trini, Mexico.

Sacco, Dom, Oakland, Calif.; Salazar, Ruben, Los Angeles, Calif.; Scanlon, Bobby, Buffalo, N. Y.; Smith, Gene, Washington, D. C.; Songkirat, Nai, Thailand.

Tague, Russ, Davenport, Iowa; Tanaka, Nodoru, Japan; Thompson, Leslie, Panama; Touan, Jules, France; Tucker, Charley, England.

Uribe, Ezequiel, Mexico; Valero, Memo, Mexico; Vargas, Ruben, Argentina; Vasquez, Lorenzo (Larry), Richmond, Calif.; Vazquez, Rafael, Mexico.

Velarde, Gil, Los Angeles, Calif.; Velasquez, Julian, LaHabra, Calif.; Venegas, Juan, Puerto Rico; Walters, Len, Canada; Wheeler, Johnny, Australia; Wilkinson, Joe, Washington, D. C.

Class C

Alvarez, Juan, Belgium; Ames, Malcolm, England; Ariaza, Mickey, Mexico; Armstead, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; Baptista, Manuel, San Francisco, Calif.; Best, Junior, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Bradley, Clifton, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bravo, Freddy, San Jose, Calif.; Brown, Dave, Boise, Idaho; Brumley, Ruhl, Oak Grove, La.; Butch, Jules, New Orleans, La.

Campos, Vernon, Salt Lake City, Utah; Cardenas, Sergio, Cuba; Christy, Stanford, San Francisco, Calif.; Coles, Georgie, Rankin, Pa.; Colon, Mario, Puerto Rico; Covarrubias, Luis, Mexico.

Davidson, John (Speedy), New Orleans, La.; Davis, Stanley, Reno, Nev.; Dean, Ted, Dallas, Texas; Delgado, Vince, Los Angeles, Calif.; Delmore, Johnny, England; Doer, Mike, Tampa, Fla.; Drouin, Rocky, Canada; Duncan, Herman, Los Angeles, Calif.

Eisen, Vic, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Escobar, Alfredo, Los Angeles, Calif.; Felix, Paul, Stockton, Calif.; Fimbres, Alex, Pasadena, Calif.; Fitzpatrick, Fitzie, Chicago, Ill.; Flores, Baltazar, Port Arthur, Texas; Fuller, Freddy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Fulton, Matt, Scotland.

Gaitan, Johnny, Austin, Texas; Galindo, Norbert, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gambino, Joey, Long Island City, N. Y.; Genshaw, Carroll, Eureka, Calif.; Gilmore, Ples, Monroe, Mich.; Gonzales, Rudy, Tyler, Texas; Gonzales, Sec, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gova, Joe, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Hernandez, Chico, New Orleans, La.; Hidalgo, Celso, San Antonio, Texas; Humphreys, Al, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ithia, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Jack, Baby Beau, New York, N. Y.; Jansie, Johnny, Philadelphia, Pa.

Kuhn, Davey, Warren, Ohio; Lee, Davey, Reno, Nev.; Lockett, Eddie, Butte, Mont.; Luera, Henry, Houston, Texas.

Mancini, Lou, Los Angeles, Calif.; Marshall, Alfredo, Panama; Medina, Sammy, Panama; Mendez, Arias, Panama; Mesa, Tony, Mexico; Murillo, Roberto, Panama.

Navarro, John, New Orleans, La.; Nicholas, Johnny, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Novelo, Felipe, Mexico; Ortega, Rudy, Cuba; Osario, Filberto, Puerto Rico.

Pacheco, Johnny, Albuquerque, N. M.; Pacheco, Paul, Denver, Colo.; Palma, Ricky, Uxbridge, Mass.; Penalver, Sergio, Cuba; Perez, Carlos, Los Angeles, Calif.; Perez, Juan (Lefty), Corpus Christi, Tex.

Perkins, Edgar, New York, N. Y.; Powell, Dick, Chicago, Ill.; Powell, Ray, Johnstown, Pa.; Prescott, Manuel, Panama.

Read, Paddy, Providence, R. I.; Resendez, Jesse, Hollywood, Calif.; Reyes, Joey, El Paso, Texas; Roberts, Guillermo, Cuba; Robleto, Bobby, San Francisco, Calif.; Rodriquez, Hector, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Romero, Owen, New Orleans, La.; Rosati, Mickey, Philadelphia, Pa.

Salazar, Juan, Panama; Sandoval, Luke, Oakland, Calif.; Sayers, Frankie, England; Smith, Billy, Oakland, Calif.; Soares (West), Bobby, Providence, R. I.; Sosa, Ramon, Mexico; Spencer, Dick, Port Huron, Mich.

Tanner, Chuck, Providence, R. I.; Tisi, Al, New York, N. Y.; Titone, Charley, New York, N. Y.; Tovar, Art, Hollywood, Calif.; Triana, Alfredo, Cuba; Triana, Felix, Cuba; Turner, Tom, Los Angeles, Calif.

Veloza, Charlie, Fall River, Mass.; Villa, Augie, Oakland, Calif.; Wading, Leif, Sweden; Walden, Dave, Youngstown, Ohio; Ware, Al, Cincinnati, Ohio; Wilson, Ike, Philadelphia, Pa.

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MARIO D'AGATA

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)
World Champion
Robert Cohen, France

Group I

1—Robert Cohen, France
2—Mario D'Agata, Italy
3—Billy Peacock, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Hilaire Pratesi, France
5—Raul (Raton) Macias, Mexico
6—Andre Valignat, France

Group II

1—Jose Lopez, Mexico
2—Little Cezar, Philippines
3—Bobby Sinn, Australia
4—Emil Chemama, France
5—Chamrern Songkitrat, Thailand (Retired)
6—Peter Keenan, Scotland
7—Pierre Cossemyns, Belgium
8—Fili Nava, Mexico

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Class A

Annaloro, Gaetano, Italy; Armenteros, Manuel, Cuba; Barajas, Pimu, Mexico; Benson, Joey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bini, Dante, France.

Cadalso, Juan, Spain; Campos, Frankie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Cardew, Jimmy, England; Castro, Roberto, Argentina; de la Rosa, Emilio, Mexico.

Gagnon, Fernando, Canada; Galvan, Otillo, Mexico; Galvin, Luis, Cuba; Gault, Henry (Pappy), Spartanburg, S. C.; Gogotya, David, South Africa; Hernandez, Mike, Mexico; Komuro, Keiichi, Japan; Leanos, Raul, Mexico.

Mario, Baby Moe, Reno, Nev.; Martinez, Ernie, Denver, Colo.; Meunier, Robert, France; Miramontes, Henry, Dallas, Texas; Miranda, Pedro, Argentina.

Mongia, Jesse, Los Angeles, Calif.; Moreno, Ricardo, Mexico; O'Brien, Johnny, Boston, Mass.; Otsuka, Masakazu, Japan; Parra, Ernesto, Mexico.

Renard, Jean, Belgium; Reyes, Orlando, Cuba; Rodriguez, Manuel, Mexico; Rollo, Piero, Italy.

Sanona, Nai, Thailand; Santoy, Alex, San Antonio, Texas; Schoonmaker, Cecil, Los Angeles, Calif.; Schmidt, Henri, France.

Singleton, Bobby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Spina, Roberto, Italy; Valverde, Jorge, Mexico; Zuddas, Gianni, Italy.

Class B

Aragon, Gene, Philippines; Asuncion, Al, Philippines; Bacho, Gildardo, Mexico; Baggett, James (Buddy), Dallas, Texas; Boy, Puyas, Philippines.

Campos, Augustin, Mexico; Caraballo, Jamie, San Francisco, Calif.; Cardanes, Juan, Spain; Cardinale, Tino, Italy; Cardoso, Carlos, Mexico; Carson, Jimmy, Ireland; Castaneda, Goyo, Panama; Castillo, Jesse, Mexico.

Concepcion, Frisco, Philippines; Coronado, Rudy, Mexico; Coshirel, Don, England; Cruz, Mike, Mexico; Cumberback, Byron, Panama.

Diaz, Antonio, Spain; Escalante, Nacho, Mexico; Falcinelli, Amleto, Italy; Gabino, Jorge, Mexico; Garcia, Pedro, Mexico.

Geekie, Gil, Canada; Grasso, Tony, New London, Conn.; Gutierrez, Baby Face, Mexico.

Hartell, Freddy, Durham, N. C.; Jimenez, Manuel, Mexico; Jimenez, Sapito, Mexico; Kid, Manolito, Cuba; Kidy, Jean, Belgium.

Lazu, Miguel, Cuba; Llerandi, Humberto Diaz, Cuba; Luna, Eddie, Mexico.

Mouginot, Robert, France; O'Neill, George, Ireland; Ohm, German, Mexico; Ortiz, Cleo, New York, N. Y.; Palpallactoc, Alfonso, Hawaii.

Ramirez, Manuel, Mexico; Reyes, Frisco, Philippines; Roberts, Teddy, St. Louis, Mo.; Ruiz, Babe, Mexico; Ruiz, Mario, Mexico.

Sanchez, Memo, Mexico; Saucedo, Rogelio, Mexico; Simpson, Gerry, Canada; Smillie, John, Scotland; Solis, Raul, Mexico; Spurgeon, Jackie, New York, N. Y.

Torres, Fifi, Mexico; Torres, Oscar, El Paso, Texas; Villa, Luis, Cuba.

Class C

Abeyta, Jimmy, Oakland, Calif.; Angeles, Augie, San Jose, Calif.; Bonin, Claude, Canada; Brathwaige, Rafael, Panama.

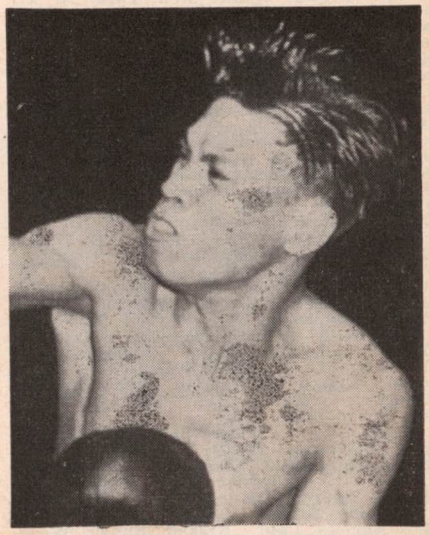
Coca, Dickie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Espinosa, Louis, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fandel, Herman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fusco, Carlo, New York, N. Y.; Gonzales, Cubanito, Mexico.

Herrera, Jackie, Oakland, Calif.; Ibarra, Toto, Panama; Livingston, Walt, Trenton, N. J.; Lomas, Oscar, El Paso, Texas.

McCarthy, Pat, Amarillo, Texas; Martinez, Claudio, Panama; Martinez, Epi, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mendoza, Tacho, Mexico; Provencio, Tony, Hollywood, Calif.

Rivera, Americo, Mexico; Rivero, Aurelio, Mexico; Rodriguez, Manuel, New York, N. Y.; Ruiz, Manuel, Mexico.

Velazquez, Urbano, Mexico; Viscarro, Freddie, San Francisco, Calif.; Zefine, Kid, Panama.



LEO ESPINOSA

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)
World Champion
Pascual Perez, Argentina

Group I

1—Pascual Perez, Argentina
2—Leo Espinosa, Philippines
3—Young Martin, Spain
4—Danny Kid, Philippines
5—Dai Dower, Wales
6—Yoshio Shirai, Japan (Retired)
7—Tanny Campo, Philippines
8—Jake Tuli, South Africa
9—Nazzareno Gianelli, Italy

10—Oscar Suarez, Cuba
11—Memo Diez, Mexico

Group II

1—Hitoshi Misako, Japan
2—Keeny Teran, San Jose, Calif. (Retired)
3—Guy Schatt, France
4—Eric Marsden, England (Retired)
5—Antonio Diaz, Spain
6—Aristide Pozzali, Italy
7—Takeshi Yamaguichi, Japan

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Class A

Akira, Speedy, Japan; Andy, Cunning, Philippines; Barenghi, Alberto, Argentina; Barletta, Pasquale, Italy; Bennett, Frank, Australia.

Calatayud, Ramon, Veneuela; Cruz, Ramon, Mexico; Currie, Dick, Scotland; de Leon, Mario, Mexico; Delplanque, Emile, Belgium; Dionisio, Pipo, France.

Eskridge, Cliff, Cario, Ill.; Gaviano, Hilaire, France; Hancock, Taffy, Australia; Jooste, Gerry, South Africa.

Militante, Francis, Hawaii; Mouginot, Robert, France; Pardo, German, Chile; Rodriquez, Orlando, Cuba.

Tello, Chucho, Mexico; Teran, Keeny, Los Angeles, Calif.; Ursuwa, Dommy, Philippines; Yamaguichi, Takeshi, Japan; Zulueta, Leo, Philippines.

Class B

Brown, Little, Philippines; Caravajal, Nando, Mexico; Cisnero, Jose, Venezuela; Coleeti, Jimmy, South Africa.

Medina, Negro, Mexico; O'Connor, Eddie, Ireland; Quinn, Jimmy, Scotland; Rainbow, Teddy, Australia.

Schmit, Henri, France; Supple, Pat, Canada; Temple, Marcus, South Africa; Ussin, Gilbert, France; Zapata, Peter, Mexico.

Class C

Ascanio, Nicolas, Venezuela; Canto, Joe, Mexico; McKay, Sonny, Panama; Orozco, Baby, Mexico.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

BOB SATTERFIELD, VETERAN CHICAGO HEAVYWEIGHT scored a sensational knockout victory over highly touted Paul Andrews in their scheduled 10 round bout in Buffalo's Memorial Auditorium.

For the first eight rounds Andrews had all the best of the boxing and while he landed several heavy blows on Satterfield's chin Paul was unable to follow through when Bob started to wilt.

Matchmaker Charlie Pinto of the Fairview club, which staged the show, put on a rousing set of preliminaries.

The gross receipts were announced at $14,-519. Total attendance was 5,080. Lou Scozza refereed the main event and the semi-final.

Tommy Maddox, 148½, Buffalo soundly whipped Bob Hansen, 151, Milwaukee, six rounds; Ben Thomas, 186, Memphis, punched out a six round victory over Sylvester Amstron, 181½, Chicago; Luther Bedford, 139½, promising Indianapolis boxer, outpointed Mike Penelli, 142½, Buffalo, six rounds. In the curtain raiser, Lou Ciavaglia, 121¾, Niagara Falls, defeated George Murray, 131, Rochester in four rounds.

▶Buddy Jackson, 145½ of Springville, one of Buffalo's favorite fighters, scored a 10-round decision over Juan Tejada of Canastota in Rochester's War Memorial Auditorium. This bout was a companion match to the Ezzard Charles—Toxie Hall heavyweight setto which Charles won.

Irish Billy Collins, 154, also of Springville, lost on a technical knockout to Rochester's Dave Brown in a furious battle that was stopped at the end of the third round due to a cut over Collins' right eye.

▶RESULTS FOR THE MONTH:

Armory Rink, Plainfield: Hardy Smallwood, 160, Brooklyn, forcing the action all the way, took down his second win over Tim Jones, 160, Plainfield, in the top eight. Referee Paul Cavalier scored it 6-1-1. Despite a strong finish, Larry Crawley, 148, Plainfield, fell just short of catching Iggy Zotto, 151, Brooklyn, in the co-feature 8. In the third 8 rounder, Stan Micheaux, 157, Rahway, outslugged willing Jimmy Skinner, 161, New York, in the best bout of the night.

In fours, Eddie Johnson, 138, Newark, and Vic Roman, 133, Long Island City, went to a draw, while Chuck Welton, 187, Newark, got a close call over Cy Anderson, 170, East Orange.

This first show by promoter Al Garafola drew 1,800 who paid close to $2,700 for the first boxing show staged here since 1942.

▶TRENTON ARENA: Jimmy Garcia, 163, Puerto Rico, stopped Al Hersh, 161, Brooklyn, when Al could not answer the bell for the fourth round. Hersh, who fought Garcia to a draw a few weeks ago, was dropped in the third and took a bad beating. David Walker, 183, Trenton, whipped Joe Dawson, 193, Millville, 4; Arnold DiMozio, 141, Paterson, scored over Jose Lopez, 147, Puerto Rico, 4; Eddy Allen, 199, Trenton, won from Don Tatro, 177, Patterson, 4; Jim Taylor, 187, Atlantic City,, kayoed B. K. Thompson, 181, Trenton, 0:10, 3; Vinnie Stasio, 149, Asbury Park, halted Kid Spader, 145, N. Y. C., 1:20, 2; and Bob Klier, 159, Paterson, kayoed Mike Polo, 163, Bronx, in 1:47 of the 3rd.

▶Jake Josato, 145, Philadelphia, staged a rude welcome home party for Mel Collins, 146½, as he gave the local boy a sound beating in the ten round feature. It was only Mel's second loss in 15 starts. Referee Joe Mangold scored it 7-1-2.

Cleve Zanda, 156, Wilkes-Barre, floored Billy Montella, 158¼, Long Island City, in the second as they went to a six round draw. The fours all went the limit with Dick Kennedy, 155, Columbus, winning from Bob Johnson, 151, Trenton; Walt Livingston, 119, Trenton, besting Willie Snead, 122, Newark; and Clarence Bland, 193, New York, defeating Joe Diamond, 202, Trenton. This show drew over 1,300 fans.

▶Jimmy Garcia, 165, Puerto Rico, who is becoming a favorite with the Trenton fans, dropped Johnny Bowman, 162, New York, three times in the first and once in the second to halt him in 1:42 of the round with referee Joe Kukal stopping the fight. Harry Bell, 136, Long Island City, outboxed Art Oubre, 135½, Bunkie, La., 6; Paul Frank, 169, Jersey City, and Marion Guzzo, 166, Easton, Pa., slugged to a draw, 4; and Jay Bee, 184, Trenton whipped Clarence Bland, 191, New York, 4.

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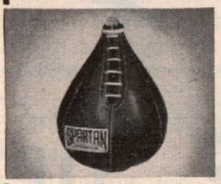

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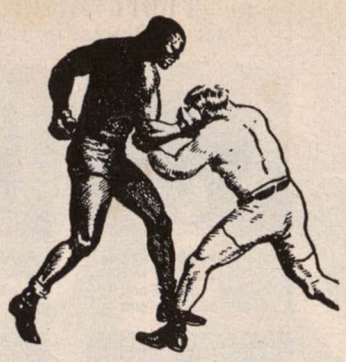

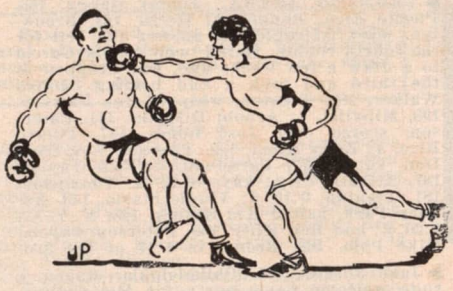

The final month of the year was one of the most active in 1955. It brought into action top men in all divisions, with several championship bouts adding to the interest.

Since this is our Annual Ratings of Boxers issue, "The Fighter of the Month" and the Month's Best Prospects have been eliminated. Here are the month's leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Baker bested J. B. Reed, 10, and Nino Valdes, 10.

Toxie Hall upset Ezzard Charles, 10. Ezzard then reversed it in 10.

Jimmy Slade was stopped by light heavyweight Floyd Patterson, 7.

Yg. Jack Johnson outscored Marty Marshall, 10, and stopped Zora Folley, 5. Charley (Sonny) Liston kayoed Larry Watson, 4.

Rex Layne outpunched Ken Hammer, 10. Wayne Bethea kayoed Mickey Carter, 5.

Ewart Potgieter drew with James J. Parker, 10. Eddie Machen kayoed Max Chris, 1.

Joey Rowan lost to light heavyweight Willie Pastrano, 10, then beat Zack Hobbs, 8. Johnny Arthur kayoed Billy Wallace, 2. Roger Rischer drew with Howard King, 10.

Amos Lincoln kayoed Frank Buford, 5, and bested Duke Sabedong, 8. Fernando Fala kayoed Jimmy Thompson, 1.

Pat McMurty kayoed Jimmy Walls, 1. Benny Thomas outscored Sylvester Armstrong, 6.

Gianni Luise outfought Gian Alfonsetti, 8. Dave Ragus scored over Murry Bennett, 6. Frank Gioseffi whipped Tony Gagilardo, 8.

Benato Tontoni outpointed Giorgio Milan, 8. Don Jasper kayoed Eddie Lee Walker, 9. Wilbur Dilly bested Grant Dunlap, 5.

Cordell Jones kayoed Harley Breshears, 3. Mike DeJohn kayoed Bob Robbins, 2. Crowe Peele stopped James Peace, 4.

Michael Maye beat Johnny York, 6. Paul Simpson bested Ike Bell, 6. Art Mayorga defeated Johnny Hobart, 6. Wilbur Dilly defeated Andy Bonds, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Floyd Patterson halted Jimmy Slade, 7.

Willie Pastrano outsped Joey Rowan, 10.

Bob Satterfield kayoed Paul Andrews, 9.

Gordon Wallace outpointed Terrence Murphy, 10.

Chuck Speiser halted Paddy Young, 2.

Tony Johnson stopped Billy McNeece, 8. Dogomar Martiez whipped middleweight Kid Gavilan, 10.

Roy Harris outscored Buddy Turman, 12. Yvon Durelle lost on a disqualified to middleweight Artie Towne, 7.

Marty Marshall lost to heavyweight Yg. Jack Johnson, 10. Phil Saxton and Joe Shaw drew, 8. Bob Bolton kayoed Lou Campanelli, 4.

Claude Chapman whipped Wadell Hannah, 6. Bobby Lane kayoed Joe Leudanski, 10. Jack London, Jr., outpointed Johnny Smith, 8.

Al Lane outscored Sylvester Armstrong, 6. Clarence Floyd upset Joe Blackwood, 8. Frank McGary kayoed Billy Tyree, 4.

Jimmy Clemente bested Leroy Allen, 6. Tiger McHenry whipped Johnny Hayden, 6.

Tom Tatum halted Bob Cosgrove, 4, but lost to Jim Persey, 6. Frank McGarry drew with Ricardo King, 6. Dick Greenberg kayoed Amos Robinson, 3.

Joe Louis III bested Sonny Ray, 6. Eddie Demars stopped Otto Smith, 4. Jimmy McKenna kayoed Harold Hancock, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Sugar Ray Robinson regained world championship by kayoing Carl (Bobo) Olson, 2.

Eduardo Lausse outfought Gene Fullmer, 10, and stopped Johnny Sullivan, 5.

Jimmy Palazzola outscored Pedro Gonzales, 10. Artie Towne won on a disqualification over Yvon Durelle, 7.

Hachiro Tatsumi won the Orient title by beating Sema Klasuk, 12. Charlie Joseph defeated Charlie Cotton, 10.

Billy McDonnell became Australian champion at 18, by beating Pran Mikus, 12. Al Andrews outfough Jimmy Martinez, 10.

Kid Gavilan lost to light heavyweight Bogomar Martinez, 10. Peter Muller whipped Ray Drake, 10.

Bob Gordon kayoed Moses Ward, 4. Sammy Walker whipped Pete Adams, 10.

Tony (Tex) Gonzales defeated Billy Harper, 8, but lost to Gasper Ortega, 6. Rinzi Nocero lost to welterweight Carmine Fiore, 10.

Hardy Smallwood defeated Tim Jones, 8. Tony Anthony whipped Lloyd Triplett, 6. Jimmy Morris outscored Charolito Spirituano, 10. Chaolito kayoed Adalberto Marty, 8., and beat Julio Castle, 12.

Franco Festucci stopped Jesus Martinez, 6. Rocky Caballero kayoed Elloy Tellez, 2. Jimmy Garcia stopped Al Hersh, 4, and Johnny Bowman, 2.

Gus Acosta defeated Fernando Spallota, 10. Benny Deaton whipped Clyde Collins, 8. Mickey Rhodes kayoed Willie Stevens, 7.

Jerry Fowler stopped Bobby Elliott, 5. Wally Thom bested Jean Ruellet, 10. Yama Bahama defeated Major Woodson, 10. Jimmy Franklin kayoed Leroy Allen, 2.

Johnny Wheeler, victim of upset decision to Harold Piper, 12, came back with surprise victory of his own, stopping Sergio Milan, 11. Piper scored another triumph, beating Sandy Brown, 12.

Gil Padilla stopped Dave Nolan, 5, and beat Tommy Villa, 6. Stan Micheaux bested Jimmy Skinner, 10. Jim Cody bested Hank Casey, 6, Hank stopped Buzzie Brown, 4.

Jerry Luedee stopped Don Bryant, 6, and beat Jimmy Skinner, 8. Lou Stanich defeated Gunnar Warme, 6, and Frankie Rapino, 6.

Vincente Cantu kayoed Maurice Jenkins, 6. Bob Perry kayoed Ike White, 6. Gerry Tessier bested Berry Haney, 6.

Chuck Craig beat Joe Schmolze, 6. Gene Lewis scored over Tommy Simonetti, 6. Edmund George bested Curtis Bruce, 6.

George Harrell bested Joe Gomes, 6. Fred Terry beat Harry Deputy, 8. Frankie (Kid) Anslem stopped Al Brown, 3, and beat Rudy Watkins, 6.

Dave Brown stopped Billy Collins, 3. Marty Bright halted Bob Perry, 2. Phil Rizzo defeated Mickey McGraft, 8.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World Champion Carmen Basilio retained title with thrilling 12-round kayo of former titleholder Tony DeMarco.

Chico Vejar was held to a surprise draw by Bob Murphy, 10, Bob kayoed Herman Gary, 2.

Vince Martinez outscored Chris Christensen, 10, and kayoed Ernie Greer, 3.

Miguel Diaz upset Danny Giovanelli, 10. Del Flanagan stopped Billy Newman, 4.

Ramon Fuentes defeated Joe Miceli, 10. Isaac Logart evened the score with Virgil Akins, 10.

El Conscripto kayoed Miguel Burciaga, 2. 48-year-old Bep van Klaveren announced retirement from boxing after losing decision, 15, to Idrissa Dione in bid for European championship.

Somdez Yongtrakit won the Orient title by whipping Young Paulino, 12. George Araujo stopped Frankie Freese, 6. Jackie O'Brien outboxed Tommy Webb, 10.

Charlie Cotton outfought Andrew Brown, 10, but lost to middleweight Charley Joseph, 10. George Barnes retained British Empire title by outpointing Attu Clottey, 15.

Jimmy Beecham outpointed Ismael Espana, 10, then upset Hector Constance, 10. Stan Harrington kayoed Dick Goldstein, 7.

Ramon Tiscareno outpointed Henry Davis, 10. Duke Harris stopped Mickey Savage, 2. Johnny Busso scored over Dennis Pat Brady, 10.

Carmine Fiore outscored Rinzi Nocero, 10. Manuel Rocha kayoed Manuel Munoz, 7. Sauveur Chiocca decisioned Jacques Herbillon, 10.

Julio Cesar Jimenez kayoed Enrique Gasca, 3, and beat Aurelio Rergis, 10. Tommy Nee and Ted Murray drew, 10.

Jake Josato whipped Johnny Cunningham, 8, and Mel Collins, 10, and stopped Arthur Persley, 6. Charley Dunn stopped middleweight Jim Camer, 8.

Barry Allison outpointed Rudolph Bent, 8. Charley Scott bested Johnny Cunningham, 8. Ray Portilla defeated Aldo Mente, 10.

Barry Brown halted Dave Clingan, 7. Negro Rojas defeated Gabriel Diaz, 10. Iggy Zoto edged out Larry Crawley, 8. Johnny DiGilio stopped Tommy Barto, 5.

Jacques Dugenie outpointed Saveur Chiocca, 10. Larry Baker whipped Gordon Perry, 10, (twice). Garnett (Sugar) Hart kayoed Roosevelt Coward, 2, and beat Harry Deputy, 8. Tommie Smith bested Phil Williams, 6.

Buddy Jackson outscored Juan Tejada, 10. Amen Peck kayoed Furman King, 9. Cortez Jackson beat Marvin Hickman, 6.

Choo Choo Benson whipped Richie Johnson, 6. Steve Ward bested Ralph Pellechia, 6, and Bubba Norman, 6. Tony Armenteros decisioned Rufino Sardinas, 10.

Cortez Jackson kayoed Mollie Shaw, 3. Mario Moreno defeated Gus Ramos, 8. Al Perez stopped Nelson Levering, 2. Toby Alvarado scored over Alvin Payne, 6.

Earl Grey kayoed Solis Scott, 2. French Champion Valere Benedetto held to draw by Mario Cicarelli, 10 (non-title). Jimmy Piper kayoed Earl Mathews, 2.

Willie Epps scored over Clint Martin, 6. Carl Brunson defeated Tommy Berg, 6. Dave Johnson won over Edgar Jones, 6.

Billy Lynch kayoed Charley Tager, 3. Cisco Holly defeated Rocky Sullivan, 6. Tommy Maddox whipped Bob Hansen, 6.

Jesse Bogart halted Joe Castaneda, 10. Alfredo Martinez kayoed Roberto Martinez, 2. Henny Winchman whipped Itzy Wallach, 6. Mel Barker drew with Val Luna, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

European champion Duilio Loi retained his title by outpointing Seraphin Ferrer, 15.

Kenny Lane outboxed Don Mason, 10.

Cisco Andrade halted Kenny Davis, 7.

South African titleholder Johnny Van Rensburg kayoed Willie Toweel, 9.

Johnny Gonsalves outboxed Mickey Northrup, 10. Leo Alonzo captured the Orient lightweight crown by kayoing Jiro Sawada, 4. Baby Vasquez outscored Gilberto Muniz, 10. Paolo Rosi whipped Lulu Perez, 10.

Andy Arel upset featherweight Bobby Bell, 10. Arthur Persley was stopped by welterweight Jake Josato, 6.

Hoacine Khalfi outscored Tommy Tibbs, 10. Bobby Woods kayoed Lavert Smith, 6, and Vince Bonomo, 8.

Orlando Zulueta outscored Walter Brown, 8. Larry Armstead bested George Berry, 10, and kayoed Boland Abrams, 5.

George Monroe stopped Al Juergens, 7, but lost to Gene Butler, 10. Larry Boardman outpointed Armand Savoie, 10. Col Clarke trounced Don McTaggart, 12.

Tony Puleo drew with Ike Chestnut, 8. George Bracken thrashed Americo Agostini,

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BASILIO-DEMARCO FIGHT OF THE YEAR

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head on with a blasting left hook that stopped Olson in his tracks and started him down.

As he fell Archie racked him up for the evening with another whithering left hook and a parting right that landed high on Olson's head. There was no necessity for the count which followed and Olson's try for the light heavyweight crown was finished in 1:19 of this round.

The suddenness with which the suspense was broken and the speed with which the end came, caused unanimous choice for this as The Round of The Year.

The kayo put an end to Olson's chances to move up into a heavier weight class and gave sufficient evidence of Moore's punching prowess as to make possible his becoming the logical challenger for Rocky Marciano's heavyweight crown and the realization of a million dollar gate.

There were many "rounds" to choose from and the Moore-Olson barely nosed out other equally thrilling sessions. Marciano's dominating and thrilling knockout of Archie Moore not only put that fight up high as a contender for the Fight of The Year honors but the ninth round also came close to being voted as tops for The Round of The Year.

"Sugar" Ray Robinson's second round 2:51 kayo of Carl Bobo Olson featured Robbie in the role of the first fighter to hold the title on three separate occasions as well as casting him as a participant in the Biggest Upset of 1955. The few punches that it took to deflate Olson out of his crown were sufficiently vitaminized from "A"-action to "K"-knockout to gain nomination as one of the top Rounds of The Year.

Other rounds that received a great deal of consideration were Billy Peacock's three round icing of Raton Macias for the North American and N.B.A. bantamweight crown; Young Martin's stunning knockout of Dai Dower for the European flyweight championship at Nottingham, England, in a hectic 12th round; a sensational four round knockout of the British and European light heavyweight titleholder, Randy Turpin by Gordon Wallace at Harringay Arena in London.

Although the crowns were not at stake, the results caused Turpin to give up both titles. Wallace, picked as an easy workout for Turpin prior to a scheduled world title bout with Moore, upset the apple cart in a round that was action packed.

The thirteenth round of the third meeting between Wallace (Bud) Smith and Jimmy Carter, this one for the lightweight title held by Smith, received honorable mention for the excitement engendered when Smith, out in front in the scoring, was almost knocked out from under his crown by Carter in this round. Smith lasted the stanza. Although he lost the next two, he gained a fifteen round decision to save his title.

Honorable mention was given to two rounds in the two Ezzard Charles-John Holman fights. In their first meeting Charles was knocked out in the ninth in a session replete with swinging leather and excitement. In their return match at Cincinnati, which went the limit of ten rounds, Charles won the decision after ten heats. But in the tenth, Holman attempting to pull the decision out of the fire, went all out to precipitate one of the most torrid rounds of this year.

1956 will have to go a long way to beat the "55" winners of the Fight and Round of The Year but boxing has a way of coming through with the type of competition that has made it the number one international sport.

THE FISTIC FOLLIES

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pared with those of the regular judges. This happened to Tony Bosnich a former fighter who acted as a judge at the first Gil Cadilli-Willie Pep fight. In his first try at fight judging, Bosnich, along with Judge Eddie James came up with a decision favoring Cadilli that convinced a national TV audience that they must have been looking at a different fight, it was so ridiculous. James got the heave-ho from future judging altogether, and for all anybody knows Bosnich may still be handing in "unofficial" cards for comparison purposes only.

THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

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The flyweight Division surprisingly has seven fine future stars, lead by ex-All Service champion Cliff Eskridge of Cario, Ill. Cliff is unbeaten with five straight, and recently won the Southern flyweight crown. For a little fellow he can punch, having scored three kayos, and flooring all of his opponents. Francis Militante of Honolulu has won 9 of 11, two of his wins have been over ranking Takeshi Yamaguchi, and his losses were to veteran Johnny Ortega in his sixth bout and to the Number One contender Leo Espinosa. Not bad for a beginner. Pat Supple, unbeaten in ten, is Canada's hope. Venezuela has three top prospects in Ramon Calatayud, Jose Cinero and Nicola Ascanio, while Cuban boxing men are high on young Aguedo Perez.

Thus contrary to general belief, there is no scarcity of talented new comers. The future is indeed bright.

Louis Marries

A Christmas Present. Joe Louis, for over a decade the world heavyweight champion and now listed among the all-time greats, was married to the former Miss Rose Morgan, cosmetics manufacturer and beauty parlor operator, at her New York home on Christmas Day.

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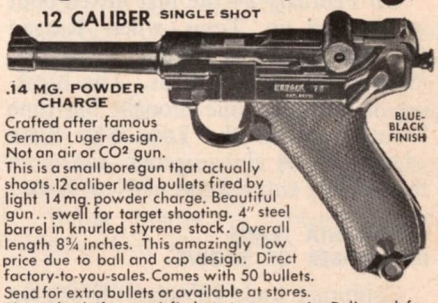

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fire in those Jersey shows.

Texas made the greatest gain in point of competition with California running it a close second.

While only 1,769 boxers are rated in this issue, the total of registered pros throughout the Americas, Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa and New Zealand, numbers 6,949 of which 4,962 are listed in America. The reason so few are ranked as compared to past years, is because many fought only one or two times then quit either to join the armed forces or to enter other vocations. The larger number dropped out of boxing because of lack of opportunity to engage in lucrative bouts, since most of the big money contests went to a chosen few, managed by members of the powerful International Guild.

With the reduction in the number of youngsters, came a return of the veterans. Among the most prominent to remove the moth balls out of their boxing paraphernalia were Harry (Kid) Matthews, Ray Robinson, Jimmy Bivins and Randy Turpin.

On February 24 the first mixed bout was staged in Texas when Reagan (Buddy) Turman defeated I. H. (Sports) Harvey in Dallas. The breaking of the color line brought big time boxing back to the Lone Star State where now 14 clubs operate—ten more than in the entire State of New York.

CALIFORNIA LEADS IN NUMBER OF SHOWS

California leads all states in staging boxing shows while New York, once the world center of boxing, is close to the cellar.

Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Massachusetts and Ohio, states that in the past boasted of heavy programs, are no better off than New York. Pennsylvania, due to the ban placed on boxing for over three months by Governor Leader because of the "Johnson Poisoned Orange" case, suffered heavily. There was a slight gain along the Eastern border and a pick-up in the Northwest where several clubs reopened their doors to take another fling at it. All are depending on local talent, mostly newcomers.

Looking over the year one cannot overlook the damage done to boxing by the hoodlum problem. While boxing is a fine sport catering to millions of fans, there are, as in all business, the unsavory elements whose machinations place the entire game into disrepute. There is no form of athletics from which more pleasure is derived by TV addicts than boxing. Yet the sport and those in it are constantly subject to attack and all because of the few, who, though keeping in the background, rule over the boxing domain with an iron hand.

TV has made thousands of new fans. It has revived interest in high school and college boxing. A report of the San Jose, Calif., Physical Education Dept. shows that more students participated in boxing instruction in that institution than in any other sport. What is more important is that the report shows that despite the large number of competitors, injuries from boxing ranked only seventh in San Jose.

1955 REMEMBERED AS A YEAR OF INVESTIGATIONS

The past year witnessed many national investigations of boxing. New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and California went all out to rid the sport of its unscrupulous characters but with little success. Boxing owes a vote of thanks to Governor Leader of Pennsylvania for taking the initiative in combating evils in boxing. Commissioner Julius Helfand of New York also comes in for praise for his defiance of those who are trying to take into their own hands the regulation of national boxing. The so-called "big shots" have thwarted the progress of boxing in America.

The million dollar gate was returned in the Marciano-Moore bout but we cannot get away from the fact that boxing as we had it in the halycon days of Tex Richard and Mike Jacobs are gone, never again to return. Now and then we get a reminder but too infrequent and all because of the passing of the small clubs, the incubators that furnished the talent for the larger organizations.

The number of contests in which $100,000 or more was grossed, was about the same in 1955 as the previous year, but the gross sum for any bout exceeded that of 1954 almost double, with $948,117.95 taken in at the Marciano-Moore contest, exclusive of more than a million collected from theatre TV. But even with those figures, the world receipts fell off about half a million from that of the previous year.

FOUR NEW CHAMPIONS CROWNED DURING YEAR

Only four new titleholders were crowned during the year. Tony DeMarco of Boston won the welterweight crown from Johnny Saxton, and lost it to Carmen Basilio of Syracuse, and in the lightweight class Wallace (Bud) Smith of Cincinnati dethroned Jimmy Carter.

Many celebrities hung up their gloves to enter other fields. The long list includes Billy Graham, New York welter star; Terry Allen, former world flyweight king; Yoshio Shirai of Japan, another ex-flyweight ruler; Luis Galvani, Cuban bantamweight champion; Roland LaStarza, New York heavyweight; Danny Nardico, Florida light heavyweight; Freddy Dawson and Johnny Bratton, Chicago welterweights; Percy Bassett, ranking Philadelphia featherweight; Earl Walls, Canadian heavyweight king; Chamrern Songkitrat, Thailand bantamweight, and Nate Brooks, Cleveland featherweight.

MANY BOXING NOTABLES PASSED AWAY IN 1955

The year saw the passing of many notables. Included in the group were Sammy Golden, who once managed Jack Dempsey with John the Barber; Pop Yager, 91-year-old patriarch of the sports world; Steve Webber, former manager and police chief in Long Island, N. Y.; George (Boer) Rodel, who fought Jess Willard; and Fred Winsor, manager.

Also Johnny Buff, former American flyweight champion and world bantamweight king; Tommy O'Toole and Tony Bender, stars of the old school, and Dan Morgan, manager of Jack Britton, Battling Levinsky and Knockout Brown. Bender, it will be recalled, fought Abe Attell and was one of the best of American featherweights.

George Dingley, manager of Benny Lynch, Ronnie Clayton and Johnny Sullivan, died in England as did Jack Marks, the inventor of the mouthpiece or gumshield, as he called it.

Jimmy Roche, Irish bantam, lost his life while swimming in the River Dee; Thomas Bergin, a well known lightweight; Leo (Kid) Roy, Canadian featherweight champion in the early thirties; Johnny Lee, a spar-mate of Dempsey when Jack was champion; Johnny Lustig, a famous New York lightweight; Midget Wolgast, former flyweight king; and Tony Entenza, chairman of the California Boxing Commission, were others who passed away.

For The Ring's Annual Ratings, a compilation of world boxers in which all members of our staff have a hand, those rated have received recognition only on their accomplishments during the past twelve months. No consideration was given to any performances of the previous year. Nor have any boxers been listed who engaged in only one or two bouts before retiring for the year.

The all-over record for the 12 months has been considered and not merely later performances of merit. The class of boxers faced and the closeness of the contests are the basis of the ratings.

Of the total ranked, the following is a breakdown:

Flyweights, 61; Bantamweights, 129; Featherweights, 243; Lightweights, 269; Welterweight, 405; Middleweight, 326; Light Heavyweights, 166, and Heavyweights, 169. Of the 6,035 who started the year, only a third followed through.

Of those rated numerically, a designation given to boxers who are better than average, there were ninety-two listed who repeated from last year. The breakdown shows Heavyweights, 10; Light Heavyweights, 9; Middleweights, 11; Welterweights, 12; Lightweights, 13; Featherweights, 12; Bantamweights, 12; and Flyweights, 13.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Billy Colbert

ST. PAUL AUDITORIUM: Two judges and the referee called the Jackie Graves-Danny Davis fight a draw in ten rounds.

Graves weighed 133 and Davis 136. The gate was around $2,900 and 1500 fans.

Joe Schmozle, Minneapolis, 162, and Abe Cruz, 158, Chicago, drew in six rounds.

Terry Rindahl, St. Paul, 162, decisioned Bob Swineberger, Chicago, 160, in six rounds.

Don Weller, St. Paul, 149, decisioned Ernie Ford, Milwaukee, 150, in six rounds.

Jimmy Perrault, Duluth, 148, decisioned Bob Dalton, Chicago, 149, in six rounds.

COVERING NEW ENGLAND
By Charlie Longo

BOSTON BOB MURPHY, 144½, BRIGHTON, undefeated welter, stopped Herm Garry of New York in the second round of a ten round fight at the Boston Arena before a crowd of 1153 fans. It was the fourteenth win for Murphy.

▶ Brockton, Mass.—Tommy Nee, 148, Boston, and Ted Murray, 153, New York, fought to a ten round draw.

Le Roy Jones, 128, Nova Scotia, outpointed Bobby Soares, 127, Providence, 6 rounds. Butsy Gallant, 145, Boston outpointed Petey Cass, 148, Boston, 6 rounds. Walter Holman, 148, Allston, outpointed Don Vincent, 146.

▶ Boston—Mike De John, 195, Syracuse, kayoed Bob Rollins, 185, Westover AFB, in the second round on the undercard of the Basilio-DeMarco title bout. Claude Chapman, 179, Cambridge, defeated Waddell Hannah, 172, Phil., 6. Tom Smith, 154, Providence, outpointed Phil Williams, 149, Chicago in 6 rounds, and Charlie Debow, 123, Brooklyn, drew with Tom Bain, 125, Syracuse, in 4.

FROM TOKYO
By F. N. Miike

TAKESHI YAMAGUCHI, 111½, FOURTH-RANKING FLYWEIGHT, knocked out Hitoshi Misako, 110½, ranked No. 1 and rated 10th by Ring Magazine, in the tenth round. Yamaguchi was ahead at the time by only two points. It was his second win in as many fights since returning from a series of bouts in Hawaii and the West Coast.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Broadway Johnny Cox.

CHARLEY JOSEPH, NEW ORLEANS MIDDLEWEIGHT, registered his 36th professional victory in 37 money starts at the Coliseum arena when he won a unanimous ten sion to ringwise Charley Cotton, Toledo, O.

Earl Gray, 153 pounds, scored a two round kayo over Solon Scott, 148, in the six round semi-final.

Eddie Davis, 128, making his first professional start, stopped Joe Cook, 128, in the second round. Ray Washington, 178, decisioned J. L. Thomas, 181, in another four. Johnny Johnson, 178, decisioned Willie Lee, 178, in four.

▶ Andrew Brown, New Orleans, 148 pounds, met with his second professional defeat in 38 starts, losing a unanimous ten round decision to ringwise Charley Cotton, Toledo, O.

▶ Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Mich. lightweight, eliminated Kid Centella, 137, New Orleans, from the top challengers by winning a unanimous one-sided ten round decision.

Herbie Rodriguez, undefeated local 150 pounder, kept his winning streak intact by stopping lanky, inexperienced Charles Sazzera, 147, Birmingham, Ala., in 1.52 of the opening round.

Andrew Sciambra, 146, local former LSU college star, speared his way to a four round decision over Nolan Duplessis.

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the year.

Some of the outstanding possible bouts are:

Carmen Basilio vs. Johnny Saxton, Chicago ($70,000), for title.

Carmen Basilio vs. Isaac Logart, New York ($80,000), for title.

Vince Martinez vs. Tony DeMarco, Boston ($60,000).

Vince Martinez vs. Isaac Logart, New York ($40,000).

Art Aragon vs. Vince Martinez, Los Angeles ($100,000).

Art Aragon vs. Tony DeMarco, Los Angeles) ($70,000).

Art Aragon vs. Bud Smith, Los Angeles ($40,000).

LIGHTWEIGHTS WIDE OPEN

Several good bouts could present themselves in the lightweight division, a class that seems wide open for anyone to take over with a couple of classy wins.

Some of the bouts of interest which may take place:

Bud Smith vs. Frankie Ryff, New York ($60,000), for title.

Bud Smith vs. Duilio Loi, Rome ($90,000) or New York ($60,000), for title.

Bud Smith vs. Sandy Saddler, New York ($80,000), for title.

Ralph Dupas vs. Franklie Ryff, New Orleans ($50,000) or New York ($40,000).

Cisco Andrade vs. Frankie Ryff, Los Angeles ($60,000).

Ralph Dupas vs. Jimmy Carter, New Orleans ($50,000).

Cisco Andrade vs. Jimmy Carter, Los Angeles ($50,000).

SADDLER FACES ROUGH ONES

In the featherweight division, champion Sandy Saddler, while he seems firmly entrenched as champion, can encounter serious opposition from several sources, should he decide to place his title on the line more than once.

Best possible matches are:

Sandy Saddler vs. Flash Elorde, San Francisco ($65,000), for title.

Sandy Saddler vs. Fred Galiana, New York ($65,000), for title.

Sandy Saddler vs. Ciro Morasen, Havana ($75,000), for title.

Carmelo Costa vs. Hogan Bassey, New York ($30,000).

Lauro Salas vs. Hogan Bassey, Los Angeles ($40,000).

Carmelo Costa vs. Fred Galiana, New York ($35,000).

Fred Galiana vs. Sammy McCarthy, London ($60,000).

BANTAM CHAMP SHAKY

With the recent knockout defeat of bantamweight champion Robert Cohen at the hands of French champion Cherif Hamia, that division is tossed into a turmoil, with wide open possibilities.

Several outstanding international matches may come of it:

Robert Cohen vs. Cherif Hamia, Paris ($80,000), for title.

Robert Cohen vs. Mario D'Agata, Paris ($75,000) or Rome ($85,000), for title.

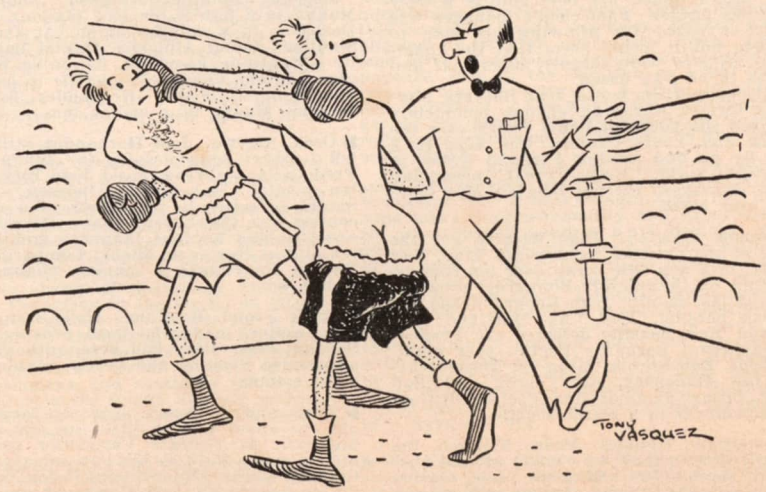
Billy Peacock vs. Hilaire Pratesi, Paris ($40,000).

Mario D'Agata vs. Raton Macias, Mexico City ($60,000).

Raton Macias vs. Hilaire Pratesi, Mexico City ($40,000).

A FOREIGN MATTER

While the flyweight division is a foreign proposition, there are fine bouts that can be arranged in that class. As we go to press, Pascual Perez is scheduled to defend his title against Leo Espinosa in Buenos Aires. Most future bouts would be based on the outcome of this contest with the winner meeting Young Martin, Dai Dower or Danny Kid.



"Keep 'em up, Slugger, and I — don't mean your punches either!"

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

by Charlie Parish

NOVEMBER was a month of outstanding programs, title bouts and upsets. The fight of the month was certainly the lightweight title bout in Milan betweeen slugger Seraphin Ferrer of France and Duilio Loi of Italy, both men with their eyes on projected tours of the States. Loi retained his crown and Idrissa Dione was equally fortunate against the Dutch Methuselah, Bep van Klaveren, who started his boxing career by winning the lightweight title at the 1928 Olympics. Fred Galiana was every inch the matador against Ray Famechon and succeeded in wresting the latter's European feathers title from him. National title bouts took place in many countries and there was great activity in provincial rings. The biggest upset of the month was maybe the stopping of Milazzo by Germinal Ballarin in Paris. In the States, Chris Christensen lost to Vince Martinez and his fellow Dane, Martin Hansen, licked Jimmy Elliott in South Africa. Sergio Milan won in Australia, Mitri left for the States and Laouari Godih set off for a campaign in Venezuela.

▶ Paris. Full house at the Palais des Sports where Ray Famechon, the dour European feathers champion, entered the list to defend his title against Fred Galiana, the Toledo Blade. Nothing impressed by the challenger's formidable knockout record, Famechon went right in to the attack but was repulsed quite easily by the Spaniard, who copped the first two rounds by a good margin. Ray clipped the wings of El Matador in the third, however, smashing Galiana with a thunderous right to the head and pounding the Spaniard almost at will. Galiana was more cautious in the following heat but fought it out toe to toe when the Frenchman cornered him. By now Famechon was bleeding copiously from the nose and had suffered a black eye whilst the Spaniard was still more or less unmarked. The champ stacked his all on a quick finish and tore in gamely at the quick-firing Galiana, who withstood the onslaught and counter-attacked with a furious onslaught which hacked his oppent's face into a bloody and swollen mask. The end came at the end of the sixth. Galiana concentrated all the power of his murerous fists on Famechon's head and face until the game champion reeled in a haze of his own blood. Manager Coletta pushed his man into action for the seventh but the referee, a Swiss, wisely called a halt before a blow was struck.

Thus Spain adds another European crown to the flyweight title recently won by Young Martin. Galiana should make a worthy champion, he is twenty-three, has just over sixty fights under his belt and is a very ambitious fighter. Famechon's manager was loudly criticized for allowing his man to continue but it would seem that the champion's injuries were largely superficial and he was in no way dazed.

In the supporting bouts, Jean Sneyers, himself a former European champ, completely outboxed the youthful Louis Poncy over ten rounds and Louis Carrara was held to a draw by up and coming Fernand Nollet in a lightie eight. Emile Vidal, promising heavy, decisioned the big Belgian, Max Marsille, over eight.

▶ Cuesmes, Belgian. Juan Alvares got the better of the national lightweight king, Ray Souply, in a non-title scrap over ten rounds. At Liege, on the Sneyers-Bonnardel program reported last month, Jean Renard licked the Spanish bantam, José Luis Martinez, over ten, and Max Marsille defeated the Franco-Italian heavy, Bernardo Pacini, over eight. At Ghent, Bob Stevens laced the Dutch middle, Jan Hagenaar, over eight and Bob Roger, former amateur star, decisioned Gustave Roelandts in a feathers eight.

▶ Amsterdam, Holland. Pedro Klijssen, the young Dutch cruiser who made several successful sorties into Germany last season, took on another German of some mild repute, Winnfried Henne, and knocked him out in the second. Tony Baars, mulatto welter from Indonesia, outboxed Stephan Drewecki of France over eight.

▶ Bologna, Italy. That pitiful showing against Neuhaus in Dortmund the other week appears to have done something to Franco Cavicchi's morale. Against the Jamaican Negro, Joe Bygraves, he was hesitant and a shadow of his former self. He emerged from his torpor in the seventh, toppling Bygraves for a count of three but Joe was no whit intimidated and crippled the champ with a blow to the midriff in round eight. Cavicchi fell to the canvas and claimed a foul. The judges agreed and gave the verdict to Cavicchi but the press was hot in its denunciations.

In another heavyweight bout, Mario Di Persio outscored the French youngster, Robert Duquesnè, over six. Giancarlo Bettazoni edged Angelo Greco in a cruiser six, Walter Sarti stopped Carlo Poli in the fifth of a lightweight larrup and Remo Carati licked Luigi Russano in a middles six.

▶ Abidjan, French West Africa. Jacques Prigent had a real fight on his hands when he mixed with the tough local welter, Benjamin Dambelé. The Negro gave Prigent many awkward moments but was eventually worn down by the tenacious Frenchman and retired at the call for the eleventh round. Teddy Peckham, of England, was less fortunate. The Sable Slasher, Jules Touan, unleashed all his wizardry against the game Bournemouth fighter and dropped his man twice but could only defeat Peckham via the points route.

▶ Pavia, Italy. Letterio Petilli drew with Flavio Ciancarelli in a feathers eight, Alvaro Strina nodded the capable French youngster, Henri Ponceblanc, in a middles eight, Ray Paini drew with Cipriani in a lightie eight and Campari won over Fraioli in a feathers six. At Grosseto, Dom Baccheschi licked Vannes Benassi in a cruiser six and at Forli, Eric Peters, the Finnish lightweight, was held to a draw by Alfredo Beoni in eight. Pompeo Cicognani laced Franco Zagami in a flyweight six.

▶ Amiens, France. For the first eight rounds of his title fight with Robert Mouginot, young Guy Schatt had things more or less his own way. But he tired and the flyweight champion took over and began to regain lost ground; it was not until the thirteenth that Schatt recovered his initiative and went on to outbox Mouginot and become the new French champion after fifteen close rounds. Jacques Bataille whipped Bouradjemi Mokhfi in a lightie ten and Wadoux nodded Deshayes in a middles eight. At the Paris Stadium, young Alphonse Halimi impressed by a lightning knockout, flattening the Belgian banfam, Charles Vandeville in less than one minute. Pierre Hernandez overcame Maurice Muary in a welter ten.

▶ Oran, Algeria. José Hernandez, still Spanish feathers king despite the conquests of Fred Galiana abroad, laced Jean Bichot over ten whilst Jean-Cluade Poisson checked Sataro to retire in the fourth of a middles contest. At Cherbourg, young Michel Diouf upset Roland Romano, Tunisian middle, over ten and at Besancon, Michel Lombardet gave Ramon Dabrowski a regular whaling in a welter ten.

▶ Saint Trond, Belgium. Alois Brand, German welter, made the local prospect, Abel Soudan, look rather bad here, outboxing the aggressive Fleming and neatly winning over eight rounds.

▶ Dortmund, Germany. You can forget that old one about a good little 'un and a good big 'un. As Georges Carpentier used the bigger man's bulk to his own advantage, so Gerhard Hecht, 178, outboxed Heinz Neuhaus, 218, to become the new German heavyweight king. Hecht fought a brilliant campaign against the powerful Rhinelander, seldom allowing the ponderous Heinz to land one of his steamhammer rights and generally outspeeding and out-thinking the campion. To Neuhaus's credit, he did not use his weight in clinches and the margin by which he lost was very narrow.

Max Resch tore into Belgium's Emile Delmine and smashed the visitor to the canvas for the full count in round two of a middles slam whilst Uwe Janssen crushed another Belgian, Jos Vicky, in the second of a cruiser collision.

Hans Friedrich, claimed as a future hope for heavyweight honors, was too anxious to finish off Marcel Limage of Belgium and won over 8 rounds of scuffling and clinching. Fritz Wenzel licked Heinz Sattler in a welter eight and in two heavyweight slams, Gerd Rode knocked out Renato Podrecca of Italy in the second and Manfred Schneider could only earn an unpopular draw with Maurice Demulder, Belgium, over four rounds.

▶ Rovigo, Italy. Giannino Luise moved up a notch by outscoring Gianbattista Alfonsetti in a good heavyweight eight and Pietro Zampaglione laced Annibale Negro in a feathers six. At Savona, Aureliano Bolognasi was held to a draw by mediocre Enzo Ganadu in a lightie eight and Graziani trimmed Pietosi in a middles six. In Venice, Giulio Friso knocked out Giuseppe Capra in the sixth of a welter discussion.

▶ Rennes, France. Gilbert Lavoine was off form here when he tangled with the ringworn Gino Menozzi, whom he outpointed over ten monotonous rounds. Raymond Collet iced Emile Desdoits in the second of a cruiser clash. At the Paris Centra, Serge Gazard returned to action with a kayo over Paul Rocca in the seventh of a bantam slam whilst Cyprien Carrie licked the Portuguese lightie, Adrien Gomis, over eight.

▶ At Asnieres, Roger Prigent nodded Robert Gillet in a lightie ten. René Sauvage, the middles champ of Flanders, creased the Belgian, De Scheemaker, in seven at Calais. Gerard Bertin knocked out the German middle, Peter Werner, in two rounds at Blois.

▶ Rome. Guido Mazzinghi, unbeaten middles star, engaged in his eighteenth fight this year when he knocked out the modest German, Heinz Buttermann, in two rounds. Alvaro Strina climbed into the upper brackets by trouncing Mario Salvoldi in a middles eight. Mario Vecchiato laced Gaetano De Lucia in a good lightie eight and Bardelloni stopped Pozzi in the fourth of a welter slam.

▶ Paris. Jacques Dugenie threw a regular bombshell at the Salle Wagram, known for its surprise bouts, when he clearly outscored Sauveur Chiocca, the Number One welter idol of Paris. Dugenie is a good scrapper who fights all to seldom and against Chiocca he had an answer for all Chiocca's trump cards—style, punch or class.

In a feathers eight, Salvator Vangi outboxed Pierre Stanzack over eight and André Meraint forced Jesus Aguerri, the Belting Basque, to retire in the sixth frame of their feathers fray.

▶ Limoges, France. Jacques Bro returned to action with an impressive win over the Spanish cruiser, Luis Garcia, who was counted out in the second session. Claude Lapourielle stopped Simon Soriano in the sixth of a welter debate. At Evreux, Robert Guivarch likewise made a successful return at the expense of a Spaniard, Jesus Martinez, who was outscored in a hard middles ten. At Marseilles, Giuseppe Marootto of Italy fought a draw with the tricky Tunisian Moussa Saad, in a lightweight ten.

▶ Luxembourg. Imported Frenchmen got the worst of the exchanges when they mixed with locals. Ray Schmit laced Ben Tahar in a cruiser eight, Ray Stroppa of Italy iced Tiodmir Zambujo in the seventh of a lightie

slam, and Alfio Burgagni of Italy got the better of Lucien Pellard in a welter eight. Robert Boudoui was the sole French winner, trimming René Scheich in a feathers six.

▶ Barcelona, Spain. Rudi Langer, that very able German who recently won the German lightweight title and then surrendered it, paid another of his frequent visits to Spain to mix with the Catalan champeen, Bobby Ros. The invader did exertemely well and won most of the rounds but the verdict went to Ros after ten fast rounds. The decision smelt so high it cost the ref a three months suspension.

▶ Lisbon, Portugal. Back from Brazil and still with dynamite in his right is blond Julio Neves, national cruiser king. He took on the Spaniard, Domingo Lopez and slammed the intruder out in the fourth.

▶ Paris. At the Stadium, Marcel Pigou continued his impressive run by stopping the Polish middle, Jacques Ziolkowski, in three and Claude Debenne creased Hilal in the sixth of another middles debate. At Lyons, Joseph Roude returned to ring warfare with a good points win over the Spanish cruiser veteran, Ramon Martinez, over ten. At the Paris Central Club, Cissé Ousmane scraped home a close winner over André Couet in a welter eight and Vasseur halted Nyang Sadah in the fourth of a middles contest.

▶ Perigueux, France. Edouard Ptak had a fairly easy job against André Clabec, an overweight feather, but was dropped himself before stopping the plucky visitor in the seventh. Young Michel Diouf checked Louis Perrigualt in the seventh of a good middles slam at St. Brieuc and at Granville, André Drille won an important middles discussion against dour and robust Jean Ruellet over ten rounds, though by a narrow margin whilst Jacques Nervi won over Mekiouba in the sixth of a welter scrap, via disqualification. At Lezignan, Emile Vidal had things all his own way against Frank Mariani, the Italian heavy, in a lopsided eight-rounder.

▶ Paris. At the Stadium, blond Roger Atlan fought a draw with Gaston Meulebrouck in a rugged middles ten and Marcel Watel trimmed Edmond Moletto, the Monaco bantam, over eight. At Brest, Pierre Sarkissian drew with Bayens in a welter eight and Robert Tartari laced Pierre Gress in a bantam ten.

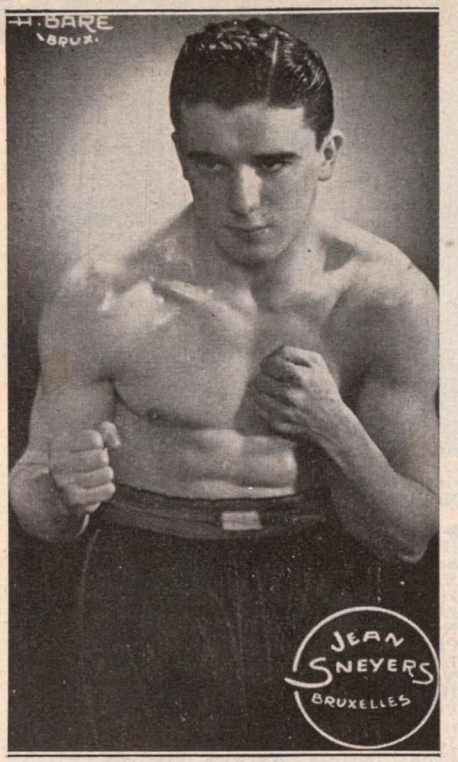
▶ Pisa, Italy. Sergio Burchi, one of the new cruiser comers down south, had Alfons Kubes of Austria looking like the famous leaning tower for three rounds and a half, then put over the final blockbuster at the end of the fourth. At Melegnano, Giacomo Spano licked Renato Denti in a flyweight eight.

▶ Liege, Belgium. Emile Chemama did the promoter the greatest disservice possible by extinguishing one of Belgium's few bright stars, Jean Renard. The Star of the South ripped in right in the first minute and dropped the Belgian champ for "nine"; henceforth Chemama did not let up and drove the Belgian from pillar to post in the second. Renard was saved from a kayo by the gong but in the third his corner slung in the towel. Emil Koch lost to the Belgian welter king, Pierre Wouters, in a poor ten and Kid Dussart edged home winner over another German welter, Horst Garz, also in ten. Abel Soudan crushed Roman Dabrowsky of France in the third of another welter affair and Dautzenberg whipped Bauche in a middles six.

▶ Rome. Fighting and filming don't mix but Renato Tontini took time off the sets to take a slam at ancient Giorgio Milan and clearly outscored the ex-champ over eight. Otello Belardinelli, former European flyweight king, returned to action after several years absence and whipped Stefano Urbani over eight.

▶ Paris. At the Salle Wagram, two middles hopes disputed a fierce bout with the usual surpise ending. Michel Masson, who had made several good performances lately, shattered the Moroccan whirlwind, Manoel Martineira, in three rounds whilst young Alphonse Halimi showed every sign of becoming a second Robert Cohen by liquidating the experienced Spanish bantam, José Luis Martinez, in the opening round. Halimi has thus won his first four contests as a pro by first round kayoes. Ahcene Dib whipped Raphael Diaz, Spain, in a feathers ten and Domingo Casols, Spain, fought a draw with André Bailleux in a lightie six.

▶ Barcelona, Spain. Franco Festucci paid a visit here to regain lost prestige following his kayo by Hans Stretz last summer. He took on the Spanish middles champ, the very mediocre Victoriano Olivares and knocked the local cold in four rounds. Ben Buker II licked Marin in a welter eight, Kim Navarro got the better of Lopez Durban in a bantam eight and an Israel lightie named Waisfisch outscored Cabrera in a lightweight six.



Jean Sneyers, former European featherweight champion, recently completely outboxed the youthful Louis Poncy over ten rounds at the Palais des Sports, Paris.

▶ Brussels, Belgium. Fred Galiana met an old foe, Joseph Janssens, in a return bout at the Palais des Sports and this time was not able to halt the strong Fleming. The Toledo Blade gained a good points win after ten hard rounds. Oscar Forthomme decisioned Emilio Orozco in a welter eight. Manolo Garcia, Spain, stopped Ray Souply in a six and Louis van Hoeck drew with Carmelo Beraza in a good lightie ten.

▶ Berlin. Hans Stretz continues very active and surely deserves a title slam with Humez despite that defeat suffered by the German in Paris last season. At the Sports Palace he took on the thankless job of convincing Mickey Laurent that he was the better man, and although he outboxed and out-thought the Frenchman, Laurent kept coming in looking for trouble until the final gong sounded. Stretz won by a wide margin over ten rounds. Rudi Langer and Jacques Dumesnil gave a good performance in their feathers fray, sharing the honors after eight rounds whilst Günter Hase scraped home a close winner over foxy Bruno Marostegan in a welter eight. In two heavyweight arguments, Manfred Schneider whipped the big Senegalese, Paul Silva, over four and Gerhard Rode won over Ernest Chalono, another Negro, in six. Hans Wohlers defeated Herbert Sowa in a robust middles four and Dieter Dorst stopped Egon Lillich in three.

▶ Paris. At the Stadium, Francis Coeuret came through with a minor triumph, stopping Yves Calamari in the second round. In another heavy slam, Michel Aubignat halted Morsli Sarahoui in four. At Coutances, Roger Cappato continued unbeaten by trouncing the Spanish feather, Jacinto Santin, over ten whilst Armand Boudin became the new heavyweight champ of Normandy by checking André Cosnefroy in the sixth. At Dijon, André Oueillé gained his revenge for a previous defeat by thrashing Henri Entringer in a torrid middles ten and at Marseilles, Louis Trochon really went to town against Freddi Teichmann and shattered the unfortunate visitor in the fourth of their middles shindig. Eugene Spagnol drew with Allaro of Tunis in a welter eight.

▶ Paris. It isn't every day that heavyweights top the bill at the Salle Wagram but in their battle for the French title, Lucien Touzard and Maurice Mols did not disappoint the fans. Mols became the new champ by valiantly out-boxing the muscular champion over fifteen rounds of give and take. The Galento like Mols will probably become the most active French heavyweight champ since the heyday of Steve Olek. Louis Poncy trimmed Ouraou in a fast feathers ten and Zaaragas won over Cherfaoui who was ruled out in the third of a welter fight. At the Stadium, Jacques Loit stopped Benard in the fifth of a bantam slam. Roubaix, France. Jos Sas, challenger for the Belgian feathers title, won over Pierre Gress in a good ten.

▶ Varese, Italy. Artenio Calzavara had little bother in disposing of Frank Mariany in four rounds whilst Ferrazzi outscored Russano in a middles six. At Parma, Marcello Padovani decisioned Enrico Macale in a good lightie ten and Fioravante Merlo nodded the Finnish lightweight, Eric Peters, over six rounds after dropping the northener for two counts.

▶ Paris. Claude Milazzo suffered the first serious check of his long career when he tangled with the tall Germinal Ballarin, a very promising middle who usually suffers from an excessive imagination. This time Ballarin's complexes took a holiday and he really went to town on the tough Tunisian, nearly knocking him out in the fourth and battering Milazzo's head with his powerful rights. The Tunisian made up some leeway in the fifth but in the sixth his left eyebrow was split open and he was obliged to retire at the end of the eighth, head and chest covered in blood. Milazzo had not been stopped before, although he has mixed with the best in Europe and Ballarin's decisive victory puts him right among the leaders.

Jacques Herbillon, southpaw puncher, earned a very unpopular verdict over Sauveur Chiocca in the semi-final eliminator for the French welter title, over twelve rounds. Pierre Pace, rapidly improving feather, slammed out André Younsi in the fifth and Marcel Pigou flattened André Bigot in the second of a middles encounter. Ali Belkacem put the skids under Pierre Hernandez in the fourth of a welter dispute.

▶ Barcelona, Spain. Angel Garcia outscored José-Maria Godoy in a lightie eight and Ben Barek, Spanish Morocco, licked Montesinos in a welter eight. Later at the same venue, Juan Cardenas outboxed the rugged French bantam, Robert Meunier, over eight rounds.

▶ Rotterdam, Holland. Frits van Kempen once more captured the Dutch welter title from his old foe and former stable-mate, Theun Brommer, whom he stopped inside one round on this occasion. Piet van Klaveren overcame the Belgian lightweight king, Ray Souply, over ten rounds and Heintje van der Zee checked Lothar Safier in the second heat of a bantam discussion.

▶ Cremona, Italy. Another quick title-bout was the flyweight match between Aristide Pozzali and Franco Lombardozzi for the national crown, forfeited by Nazzareno Gianelli. Pozzali was in a determined mood and soon cut down his rival and laid him out in the second frame. Matteotti drew with Frigeri in a welter six. At Piacenza, honest Robert Duquesne, promising French heavyweight novice, boxed a draw with Antonio Crosia, over ten rounds.

▶ Milan, Italy. A crowd of 10,000 attended the long-awaited battle between Duilio Loi and Seraphin Ferrer, with the former's European lightweight title at stake. It was a questioning of science versus punch and on this occasion, thank goodness, science was allowed to triumph over brute force. Loi, who often disappoints against mediocre opponents, rose to the occasion as usual and treated his supporters to a truly inspring demonstration of the Noble Art. Loi copped five of the fifteen rounds, according to the ref's card, one went to Ferrer and the rest were drawn.

After the defection of Franco Cavicchi, some efforts have been made to boost Aldo Pellegrini into a heavyweight star, but big Aldo lacks both personality and experience. He was stacked against Kurt Schiegl, the battle-scarred Austrian champ, who wasted little time in finessing. Kurt busted open the Italian's eye and caused him to retire in the second heat. Alphonse Halimi was once more in destructive mood and shattered Rino Stiaccini in the second of a bantam slam, Annibale Omodei could not get past wily Ray Paini and drew with the Milanese in a lightie eight whilst Carlo Mola licked Luigi Mezzadri in a middles six. Giacomo Spano shared honors with Giuseppe Gaviano in a flyweight six.

▶ St. Nazaire, France. Charles Colin continued his gallop towards a scrap with Gerd Hecht by liquidating the valiant Spanish cruiser king, Bautista Navarro, in four

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

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EMPRESS HALL, LONDON—Lew Lazar, Aldgate, 158½, holder of the Southern Area Middleweight Crown, must consider himself one of the luckiest of men to have received a points decision over Central Area Middleweight Champion Les Allen, Bedworth, 158¼, after their ten rounds eliminator for the British Title.

Terence Murphy, Canning Town, 173¾, making his debut as a lightheavyweight, survived a count of 'eight' in the first round to outpoint Arthur Howard, Islington, 174¾, over ten rounds.

Dave Charnley, Dartford, 131¾, scored a good win over Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 134¾, but certainly knew that he had been in a fight during their eight rounder. Molloy, a clever, ringwise youngster, gave Charnley a thorough test.

Kitione Lave, Tonga, 199¾, knocked out Fred 'Nosher' Powell, Walworth, 194½, in the first of a scheduled eight rounder . . . Harry Haydock, British Guiana, 141½, knocked out Alan Cherry, Kentish Town, 147½, in the first round . . . Johnny Howard, Holloway, 126½, stopped Charles Odumasi, Nigeria, 125½, in the fourth . . . Alan Howard, Holloway, 134½, knocked out Pat Ratcliffe, Bristol, 134½, in the first . . . Les Wilson, Dagenham, 136, and Terry Burke, West Ham, 136½, put up a terrific scrap for three rounds, with first one and then the other out on his feeet, but it was Burke that finally succumbed, taking the full count in the third session.

▶ BLACKPOOL—Teddy Barrow, Swansea, 149½, outpointed Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 148½, over eight rounds . . . Frankie Webb, Wigan, 147½, was too good for Owen Feathers, Accrington, 149, over the six rounds course . . . Harry Frampton, Wigan, 112, outscored Ken Gregson, Blackpool, 110, over four . . . Brian Petherwick, Preston, 144, knocked out Ron Bernard, Carlisle, 140, in the first . . . Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 123, outscored Colin Clough, Blackpool, 126, over four rounds.

▶ BOURNEMOUTH—Southern Area Lightweight Champion, Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 136½, outpointed Bola Lawal, Nigeria, over eight all action rounds . . . Dave Goodwin, Wallisdown, knocked out Dave Board, Taunton, 120, in the fourth . . . Abe Stanley, Poole, 175½, knocked out Kwame Lokko, West Africa, 164, in the first . . . Ernie Fossey, Islington, 129¾, outpointed Peter Fay, Bournemouth, 130, over six . . . Ken Lawrence, Southampton, 128½, stopped Eddie McCormick, Deal, 128, in the sixth, when McCormick received a badly damaged left ear . . . Terry Limbourn, Christchurch, 142, outpointed Terence Raymond, Enfield, 141½, over six rounds.

▶ BELFAST—Peter Cobblah, Gold Coast, 139¾, outpointed Paddy Graham, Belfast, 138, over eight rounds . . . Garnett Denny, Belfast, 175½, stopped Johnny Williamson, Gloucester, 173, in the sixth session . . . Sam Thompson, Belfast, 148¾, took an eight rounds points decision from Tex Williams, Carlisle, 148¼ . . . Dave Little, Belfast, 119½, stopped Tommy Emberson, Bangor, 117¾, in the sixth . . . Jim Taggart, Lisburn, 141, stopped Neil McGlennon, Belfast, 140, in the first.

▶ LIVERPOOL—Jean Ruellet, France, 156½, won a narrow points decision over Billy Ellaway, Liverpool, 159½, over eight rounds . . . Vic Harrison, Birkenhead, 162½, was forced to retire in the sixth of his eight rounder with Charlie Lake, Catford, 162, when he suffered a gashed left eyebrow . . . Gerry McStravick, Belfast, 143½, outpointed Norman Francis, Birkenhead, 146, over six rounds . . . Bill Connor, St. Helens, 136, outpointed Derek Clarke, Burnley, 139, over six . . . Tommy Cavanaugh, Birkenhead, 154, stopped Tommy Turner, 160, in the third.

▶ EAST KIRKBY—Percy James, Southport, 127½, outpointed Colin Barber, Sutton-in-Ashfield, 127, over eight hard fought rounds . . . Les Garbett, Cannock, 150, and Eddie Sykes, Huddersfield, 153, drew over six hard rounds . . . Jimmy Edwards, Wolverhampton, 159½, was disqualified in the second round of his contest with Harry Warner, Dagenham, 164, for alleged "laying on" . . . Eric Skidmore, Wednesbury, 149, knocked out Roy Always, Huddersfield, 146, in the first . . . Ansong Mensah, Nottingham, 137¾, knocked out Ray Dandridge, Huddersfield, 144, in the first . . . Barry Ward, Nottingham, 126, defeated Billy Allport, Walsall, 126, over four rounds.

▶ EPSOM—Rocco King, Doncaster, 160, punched too hard for Norman Saunders, Croydon, 157½, and won by a knockout in the fourth round . . . Leo Maloney, Hillingdon, 148½, outpointed Santos Martins, Nigeria, 147, over eight rounds . . . Bill Downey, Stoke Newington, 112, outpointed Frankie Nicholson, Bow, 113, in an all-action six rounder . . . Kenny Thomas, Covent Garden, 128¼, stopped Jimmy McAteer, Ireland, 127½, in the sixth . . . Malcolm Affleck, Guildford, 161¼, won on points over Ken Mullins, Jamaica, 160½, over six rounds.

▶ LEICESTER—Rodney Gardner, Market Harborough, 212, drew with Colin Strauch, South Africa, 184, over eight rounds. Jim Moran, Leeds, outpointed Bob Gardner, Market Harborough, over six rounds . . . Jim Lindley, Doncaster, stopped Eric Metcalfe, Northwich, in the third . . . Billy Cobb, Chesterfield, outpointed Johnny Delmore, Leeds, over six . . . Bill Wooding, Midland Area Welterweight Champion, outpointed Dennis Yearby, Leeds, over six . . . Ronnie Vale, Leamington, outpointed Sammy Worrell, Warrington, over six rounds . . . Bob Jeacock, Market Harborough, outpointed Paddy Delargy, Warwick, over six.

▶ GREAT YARMOUTH—Johnny Fish, Harlow, 147, outpointed Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 150½, over eight fierce and lively rounds . . . Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 160, and Ron Duncombe, Jersey, 162, drew over eight rounds . . . Clive Campling, Norwich, 139, boxed well to outpoint Eddie Baker, Bournemouth, 127, over six . . . Freddie Britoon, Kings Lynn, 163, outpointed Freddie Balio, Cambia, 159½, over six rounds . . . George Adams, Great Yarmouth, 158¼, outpointed Don Williams, Southall, 151½, over six . . . Malcolm McLeod, Coventry, 110¼, knocked out Tony Amis, Great Yarmouth, 117½, in the second.

▶ PAISLEY, SCOTLAND—Peter Keenan, British and Empire Bantamweight Champion, 119, was a very fortunate young man to receive referee Fred Blakeborough's decision over Pierre Cossemyns, Belgium, 118¾, after their ten rounder.

Natt Fulton, Coatbridge, 127, outpointed Charlie Tuckir, Camberwell, 126, over eight rounds . . . Frankie Jones, Plean, 111¾, outscored Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, 112, over eight . . . Jim McGuiness, Wishaw, outscored Johnny Spittal, Barnsley, in a six round welterweight set-to . . . Johnny McLaren, Coatbridge, knocked out Bobby Spital, Barnsley, in the third.

▶ WEMBLEY TOWN HALL—Arthur Murphy, Camden Town, 129½, stopped Oliver Paul, Nigeria, 131½, in the third of an eight rounder when Paul retired with a damaged mouth . . . Vispi Banaji, India, 155¾, knocked out Eddie Sykes, Huddersfield, 154, in the third . . . Reg Fisher, Leyton, 145½, stopped Johnny Maloney, Dagenham, 144½, in the fifth, when the latter received a badly cut eyebrow . . . Dennis Fewkes, Nottingham, 178, stopped Sid Cain, Watford, 176, in the fourth . . . Tim Giles, Stepney, 150¼, outpointed Denny Taylor, High Wycombe, 157¾, over six rounds . . . Ron Bradstreet, Kentish Town, 134½, and Jimmy Corbett, Feltham, 136½, drew over six . . . Jackie Francis, Alderney, 134, knocked out Joe Walker, Islington, 129½, in the third.

▶ SPALDING—Billy Gibson, Fishburn, 119, took a narrow points win over Dave Walsh, Belfast, 121, over eight rounds . . . Roy Alway, Halifax, 145, and Steve Gee, Leicester, 147, drew over six . . . Maurice Murfitt, Little Downham, 150, outscored Johnny Skelly, Belfast, 147, over six rounds . . . Hughie Cullen, Belfast, 150, lost on points to Ron Bishton, Derby, 147, over six . . . Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 160, knocked out Hugh Daisley, Chatteris, 160, in the sixth session.

▶ LIVERPOOL STADIUM—Sammy McCarthy, Stepney, 131½, knocked out Willie Swoboda, Vienna Lightweight Champion of Austria, 130½, in the third of their ten rounder, after McCarthy had survived a count of eight in the first session.

McCarthy, slow to start, was floored with a long left to the chin, but was never really in danger, and soon warmed up to put the Austrian away for keeps in the third.

Pat McCoy, Galway, 135, outpointed Emrys Jones, Welsh Lightweight Champion, 136, over eight rounds . . . Ronnie Doyle, Liverpool, 147½, knocked out Danny Harvey, Glasgow, 149½, in the first round . . . Tex Williams, Carlisle, 147, outscored Frankie Webb, Wigan, 146, over six rounds . . . Mike Coen, Dublin, 139, knocked out Gordon Riding, Lancaster, 135½, in the first round.

▶ SMETHWICK—Ray Corbett, Birmingham, 138, stopped Jeff Walters, Scarborough, 135½, in the fifth, when Walters' right eyebrow was cut . . . Ernie Martland, Askern, 159½, stopped Teddy Deal, Doncaster, 152½, in the fourth, a cut eyebrow again causing the end . . . Mickie Driscoll, Brierley Hill, 136½, outpointed Kevin Duffy, Hillingdon, 139½, over six . . . Colin Spittle, Brierley Hill, 158, knocked out Cliff Lawrence, Rotherham, 146¾, in the second round . . . Ken Barley, Birmingham, 148¾, outscored Bernard O'Leary, Southall, 153½, over six.

▶ ABERGAVENNY, WALES—Dick Richardson, Newport, 194½, knocked out Bobby Warmbrunn, Germany, 210, in the first of a scheduled ten rounder . . . Noel Trigg, Newport, 167, seemed set for a good points win over Johnny Smith, Portsmouth, 176½, but when he received a gashed eyebrow in the third, the referee called a halt and awarded the bout to Smith . . . Andy Andrews, Cardiff, 147½, stopped Teddy Barrow, Swansea, 151½, in the third after the latter had taken several counts . . . Rees Moore, Welsh Welterweight Champion, 148¾, stopped Parry Dando, Newbridge, 145¾, in the third session, when Dando received a damaged right eye.

Ayree Jackson, Gold Coast, 133, stopped Ron Atkins, Milford Haven, 134, in the second session, when Atkins suffered a badly gashed eyebrow . . . Willie Lloyd, Crickhowell, 139½, knocked out Jackie Davidson, Belfast, 134½, in the second.

▶ HARRINGAY ARENA—Joe Erskine, Cardiff, 197, won over Henry Cooper, Bellingham, 188½, in their ten rounds eliminator for the British Heavyweight Crown . . . Bobbie Neil, Edinburgh, 127¾, stopped Jim Fisher, Belfast, 131¾, in the second . . . Basil Kew, Putney, 190½, stopped Noel Reid, Jamaica, 224½, in the fifth . . . Jim Cooper, Bellingham, 191½, outpointed Trevor Snell, Cardiff, 185, over eight rounds.

One of the worst decisions it has ever been my extreme displeasure to witness was that handed down by referee Charles Davidson when he decided that Ewart Potgeiter, the 7'2" South African, 335½, had done enough to draw with Canada's James J. Parker, 250, over the ten rounds route. Seemingly, the referee saw a different contest to that witnessed by the thousands of fans, for in the bout we saw Parker was well and truly the winner.

Peter Waterman, Clapham, 146½, won his Welterweight eliminator with Peter King, Manchester, 146½, when referee Frank Wilson disqualified the Mancunian in the second round for holding. Waterman, who had taken quite a beating in the first round was fighting back well when the referee halted the bout to the amazement of the packed arena and both contestants. It is my opinion that Mr. Wilson acted a little too hastily in ending what promised to be the best bout of the evening.

Guy Gracia, France, 133½, inflicted the first professional defeat on Dave Charnley, Dartford, 134½, over ten fast and always interesting rounds. Charnley, meeting his most experienced opponent to date, was unable to cope with the Frenchman's greater variety of punches.

▶ BELLE VUE, MANCHESTER—Although referee Ben Green's decision in favor of Alessandro D'Ottavio, Italy, 177½, over Ron Barton, West Ham, 173½, met with cheers, there could not have been much separating the two boxers.

Barton, who received the first blot of his hitherto unbeaten record, boxed extremely badly, and showed that he still has much to learn before he can be touted into world class. After the contest it was revealed that Barton had been suffering with a back in-

jury. The proper procedure would have been to cancel his bout.

Brian London, Blackpool, 191½, knocked out Prosper Beck, Belgium, 221½, in the first round . . . Johnny Miller, North Shields, 135½, knocked out Jackie Sowah, Gold Coast, 134½, in the last of their scheduled ten rounds bout . . . Johnny Mann, Birmingham, 134½, won over Denny Dawson, Sheffield, 135, when the latter was disqualified in the last round for an alleged low blow . . . Harry Hunter, Belfast, 120¾, outpointed Tony Russell, Leeds, 127½, over six . . . Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 174, stopped Jim Lindley, Doncaster, 170, in the fourth, with a damaged eyebrow causing the premature ending.

▶ LIVERPOOL STADIUM—Billy Ellaway, Liverpool, 161½, outpointed Kit Pompey, British Guiana, 161¼, over eight rounds . . . Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 144½, outpointed Phil Mellish, Stalybridge, 149½, over eight rounds . . . Ron Kilshaw, Blackpool, 147, outscored Bobby Gill, Birkenhead, 143, over six rounds . . . Johnny Summers, Liverpool, 177, outpointed Jack Williams, Cardiff, 172, over six. . . Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 140, outscored Johnny Skelly, Belfast, 146, over four rounds.

▶ WALSALL—Billy Ashcroft, Wigan, 125, narrowly outpointed Colin Barber, Sutton-in-Ashfield, 126½, over eight rounds . . . Jack Cofie, Gold Coast, 161, outpointed Freddie Balio, West Africa, 159, over six . . . Andy Baird, Birmingham, 141, stopped Johnny Saunders, Carmarthen, 139, in the second, when Saunders was in a bad way . . . Billy Wooding, Birmingham, 144½, outpointed Derek Davis, Camberwell, 142, over six . . . Johnny King, Birmingham, 137, outscored Peter Bunt, Pontypridd, 135, over four rounds . . . Jimmy McLeod, Coventry, 111, stopped Billy Baker, Birmingham, 115, in the third.

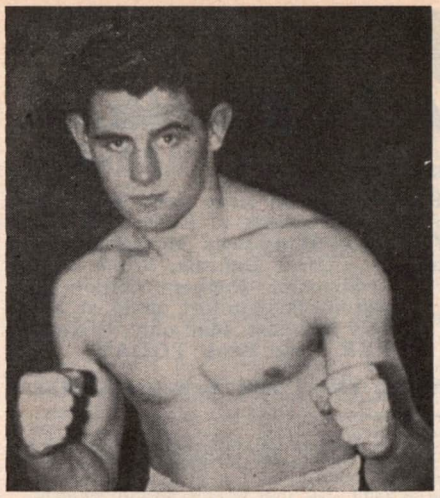
▶ BIRMINGHAM—Peter Bates, Shirebrook, 210, stopped Ron Harman, Brighton, 216, in the fourth session when Harman's right eyebrow was badly cut. . . . Alan Sillett, Acton, 120, outpointed Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 119, over eight. . . . Ken Berley, Birmingham, 146¾, notched a points win over Eric Skidmore, Wednesbury, 146¾, over six. . . . Malcolm Affleck, Guildford, 163, was adjudged the winner over Paddy De Largy, Coventry, 164, who was disqualified in the fourth for alleged "butting". . . . Mickey Driscoll, Brierley Hill, 120½, outpointed Johnny Lomey, Houston, 133, over six rounds. . . . George Whelan, Chiswick, 137½, knocked out Bill Connor, Birkenhead, 135½, in the second. . . . Ron Vale, Leamington, 157, stopped Harry Mason, Stourbridge, 151¾, in the third. . . . Colin Spittle, Stourbridge, 151, knocked out Les Garbett, Cannock, 147, in the first.

▶ NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB — Santos Martins, Nigeria, 147½, outpointed Johnny Fish, Harlow, 147½, over eight. . . . Andy Baird, Birmingham, 140, easily outpointed Eddie Baker, Bournemouth, 141, over eight rounds. . . . Jackie Hughes, Belfast, 158½, floored Mick Endley, Southampton, 158½, no less than fourteen times, but was unable to keep him there, and was finally forced to retire himself in the fourth session with a badly cut eyebrow, leaving Endley the luckiest winner of the year. . . . Stephen Coombes, St. Austell, 188, knocked out Ted Farmer, Portsmouth, 198, in the second. . . . Pat McCairn, Covent Garden, 122½, won from Cliff Giles, Linton, 121, over six. . . . Wally McBrien, Catford, 174½, outpointed Danny Wall, Covent Garden, 178½, over six.

▶ BLACKPOOL—Len Lowther, Doncaster, 157½, notched an eight rounds points win over Alan Dean, 159½, after an exciting bout. . . . Alf Cottam, Preston, 127, knocked out Alf Lister, Manchester, 127, in the second round. . . . Jackie Cardno, Doncaster, 120, stopped Bob Skinkiss, Manchester, 117½, in the second. . . . Mike Coen, Dublin, 140, knocked out Brian Petherwick, Preston, 143½, in the second. . . . Jim Lewis, Manchester, 117, outpointed Paddy Walmsley, Preston, 114½, over four rounds.

▶ BELFAST—Al Sharpe, Belfast, 136½, won an easy points decision over Peter Cobblah, Gold Coast, 139, over eight rounds. . . . Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 128, stopped Nye Ankrah, Gold Coast, 135½, in the sixth. . . . Jimmy Matthews, Belfast, 111½, outpointed Don Armagh, Gold Coast, 114, over eight. . . . Cecil Martin, Belfast, 130, stopped Jim Pollock, Belfast, 131, in the second. . . . Eddie Wieglieb, Belfast, 129, knocked out Harry Johnson, Belfast, 131, in the second.

▶ NEWCASTLE—Sammy McCarthy, Stepney, 128, outpointed Lucien Meraint, France, 129, over ten rounds, but not before he had taken two counts. . . . Paddy Graham, Belfast, 141, outpointed Billy Cobb, Chesterfield, 140, over eight rounds. . . . Johnny Spittle,



Pat McAteer, British middleweight who finished the year with a clean record and also with the British Empire crown.

Barnsley, 143, stopped Jim McGuiness, Glasgow, 143, in the fourth session. . . . Derrick Clark, Burnley, 140, won from Johnny McLaren, Glasgow, 139, when the latter was disqualified in the third for an alleged low blow. . . . Chris Rock, Choppington, 191, outpointed Ken Gardiner, Middlesborough, 183, over six rounds.

▶ WEST BROMWICH—Bobby Johnson, Plymouth, outpointed Roy Baird, Birmingham, 150, over eight rounds. . . . Eric Skidmore, Wednesbury, 149½, outpointed Teddy Searle, Hackney, 146, over six rounds. . . . Jimmy Edwards, Wolverhampton, 163, knocked out Paddy De Largy, Coventry, 166, in the first round. . . . George Spence, York, 138, knocked out Jimmy Corbett, Feltham, 138, in the second. . . . Billy Allport, Walsall, 129½, outscored Barry Ward, Nottingham, 125, over six rounds.

▶ BUXTON — Len Shaw, Sheffield, 127, stopped Johnny Barr, Stockport, 124, in the sixth session when Barr suffered a gashed eyebrow and the referee halted the bout. It was an unfortunate ending for Barr who was leading on points at the end. . . . Ron Bishton, Sandiacre, 143, outpointed Roy Allway, Halifax, 145, over six rounds. . . . Colin Strauch, South Africa, 178, outpointed Harry Warner, Dagenham, 171, over six. . . . Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 155, knocked out Matt Gillies, Beaston, 155, in the second.

▶ WALWORTH—Charlie Tucker, Camberwell, 128½, and Freddie Reardon, Downham, 127½, drew after ten rather dull rounds. . . . Dinkie White, Islington, 165, stopped Ronnie King, Walworth, 164, in the third. . . . Peter Hill, Dagenham, 137, retired in the second session of his scheduled eight rounder with George Whelan, Acton, 136, when he had suffered a badly gashed eyebrow. . . . Ken Langford, Slough, 121½, outpointed Harry Griver, Hackney, 118½, over six rounds. . . . Alan Howard, Holloway, 135½, won over Barney Beale, Lambeth, 136, when the latter was disqualified in the sixth session for "holding". . . . Peter Sexton, Charlton, 122½, beat Jimmy Giles, Stepney, 126½, the latter being disqualified in the fifth for "holding".

▶ BELFAST—Hogan Bassey, Nigeria, 124, won the British Empire Featherweight Crown when he knocked out the holder, Billy "Spider" Kelly, Derry, 125, in the eighth of a scheduled fifteen rounder. Kelly has only himself to blame for the defeat, for he was comfortably ahead on points and became careless. Bassey, ever the opportunist, was ready and waiting and crashed home a terrific right hook which sent the Derry lad down like a lumberjack felling a tree.

Santos Martins, Nigeria, 146½, stopped Charlie Cosgrove, Belfast, 148½, in the sixth. . . . Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 129½, stopped Sammy Odell, Nigeria, 131½, in the fourth. . . . Sammy Langford, West Africa, 173½, outpointed Garnett Denny, Belfast, 176½, over eight. . . . Sammy Hamilton, Belfast, 150½, outpointed Mickey O'Neill, Belfast, 149¾, over eight rounds. . . . Dave Lyttle, Belfast, 119½, outscored Dave Walsh, Belfast, 120½, over six.

▶ LIVERPOOL STADIUM — Rocco King, Askern, 160, outscored Charlie Lake, Catford, 158½, over eight. . . . Percy James, Southport, 128¼, outpointed Pat McCarthy, Birkenhead, 128½, over eight rounds. . . . Ronnie Doyle, Liverpool, 144, scored a good points win over Jack Armstrong, Gold Coast, 144½, over the six rounds course. . . . Ernie Martland, Doncaster, 164, outpointed Harry Warner, Dagenham, 168, over six. . . . Owen Feathers, Accrington, 160, outpointed Jack Thomas, Liverpool, 160, over four rounds.

▶ BIRMINGHAM—Johnny Mann, Birmingham, 135½, outpointed Welsh Lightweight Champion Emrys Jones, 134, over eight. . . . Peter Ratcliffe, Bristol, 148, was too good for Ken Barley, Birmingham, 146, over six. . . . Mickey Driscoll, Stourbridge, 136, knocked out Pat Ratcliffe, Bristol, 134½, in the third. . . . Martin Tolan, Easington, 131, knocked out Don Bellamy, Wellingborough, 123½, in the first. . . . Roy Bishton, Nottingham, 147, outpointed Ray Adcock, Birmingham, 148, over six rounds. . . . Tommy Ryan, Paddington, 133, outpointed Vic Glover, Birmingham, over six.

▶ EPSOM—Johnny Read, Norwood, stopped Ron Duncombe, Channel Islands, 164¼, in the fifth, the referee intervening when Duncombe was in a bad way. . . . Jack Coffie, Gold Coast, 162½, clearly outpointed Malcolm Affleck, Guildford, 161½, over six rounds. . . . Stan Lotriet, South Africa, 176, and Peter Aldgridge, Doncaster, 176½, drew over six . . . Henry Cuffie, British Guiana, 130, knocked out Ron Larry, Bournemouth, 128, in the second round. . . . Bill Downey, Hackney, 113½, outpointed Bob Robinson, Newcastle, 112, over six. . . . Al Wilson, Jamaica, 162, outscored Frank Bassingham, Poole, 168, over six. . . . Johnny Arrow, Croydon, 137, was stopped in the first round by Ken Lewis, Gold Coast, 136½.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By Ted Yamachika

LIGHTWEIGHT BABY GONY, 129¼, of the Philippines, copped a unanimous decision over wild swinging Gil Verlarde, 129¼, of Los Angeles, in a ten rounder at the Civic Auditorium. The Filipino boxer, who was held to a draw by Abel Donnell in his Honolulu debut two weeks before, didn't find Verlarde's mauling style exactly to his liking, but managed to outbox the Californian in the early rounds and then rallied strongly in the last two rounds to win handily.

1,472 fans paid $2,550 to witness the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. promoted card.

Third ranking flyweight, Danny Kid, 114, of the Philippines, showed his class by scoring a TKO win over George Nii, 113½, in the third. The local flyweight was inexperienced but willing.

Other results: Felix Aciro, 132½, beat Larry Souza, 136¾, 4 rds.

Mike Ines, 132½, decisioned Dela Canales, 135, in a four round scrap.

Eddie Mara, 140, outpointed Linford Chung, 143, in the four round opener.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA SPORT-LITE

By Thomas V. Deugau

PAT GIANNONE, HOTEL OWNER AND ONE-TIME FIGHTER, has formed The Alberta Boxing Club, Ltd., and plans to promote professional boxing in the city on a "card a month basis" at the Sales Pavilion.

"Jittery Jack" Berry is not entirely out of the picture. He has an interest in the boxing and wrestling cards which are staged at Jasper Place (a suburb of Edmonton). The Jasper Place cards feature wrestling with the occasional boxing card.

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NEWS FROM CUBA
By Dr. J. A. Vieites

HAVANA: CUBAN LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION, FERNANDO SILVA, 131½, was badly upset by American Andy Arel, 132¾, and got stopped in the 10th. Kid Chita, 136, won in eight from Armando Baragaño, 137. Tony Caspita, 140½, t.k.o. 1, Nene Ramírez, 147. Gil Moulenes, 127½, drew in 4 with Gervasio Rodríguez, same weight, and Ivo Soto, 135½, stopped Miguel Coronado, 137¾, in one.

▶ HAVANA: Very promising American Negro, Jimmy Beechman, 150, scored his 3rd straight victory in Havana (went on and also beat Ismael España in Venezuela), and stopped Hipólito Linares (The Baby), 147, in the eighth of a scheduled tenner. Don't miss this boy.

ARUBA, N.W.I. RING NEWS
By Jimmy Lambert

ON NOVEMBER 16, THE ARUBA BOXING ASSOCIATION featured Raoul Tovar, 166, Caracas, versus Battling Siki, 162, Aruba, in the scheduled 10-round main event held at the Aruba Swingsters Square Garden. Although a sparse crowd showed up, the few fans witnessed an action packed card from start to finish. Underdog Battling Siki surprised practically everyone by flooring Tovar for an automatic eight count in the first round and went on to stop Tovar eventually in the fifth round.

LA LAGUNA AND MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ONLY TWO SHOWS WERE STAGED in La Laguna during the past month, and both at the "Arena Olímpica", which is a property of the Dipp Brothers. The promoter is Fernando "Shoemaker" Hernández.

▶ Humberto "Hamlet" Carrillo, 122, won a ten round unanimous decision over Manuel Armenteros, 120, Cuban darky. Jorge Valverde, 116, stopped Beto de León, 119, in five rounds. Humberto "Estudiante" Olmos, 122, bested Raúl Leaños, 119, in ten.

▶ Kid Anáhuac, 125, resulted too much "hombre" for Felipe Sosa, 126. The Mexico City Kid iced his young foe in only 3 rounds. Manuel "The Bull" Rocha, 146, scored another knockout, stopping Manuel Muñoz, 142, in the seventh. Pedro Piña, 134, looked great when he crossed the chin of Gerardo Reyes (Kid Caledonia), 136, in the third and the Keed went to sleep for much more than the ten seconds. The ringside doctor had a lot of hard work to get Caledonia from the Kayo Paradise to this vulgar world. Polo Bolaños, 119, cousin of famous Henry Bolaños had a very good presentation defeating Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 120, in a fast six-rounder.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell

BOB HANSEN, 150½, MILWAUKEE, beat Billy Sinn, 153½, Detroit, in the six round windup of the Midwest boxing club.

▶ Johnny Hobbs, 142½, Chicago, pressed into service as a last minute substitute, scared Don Mason's handlers when he beat the Milwaukean easily in the first round and floored him in the second. But then the fun started! Mason got off the floor, nailed Hobbs on the chin with his right and in 1:57 of the 2nd round knocked him out. Mason weighed 137½ pounds.

▶ Don Mason, 137, Milwaukee, knocked out Charlie Smith, 139, Detroit, in 2:36 of the fourth round.

▶ Johnny Nicholas, 127½, Milwaukee, outpointed Jimmy Reeder, 126¾, Fort Wayne, Ind., five rounds.

Attendance 810 (paid). Receipts, $1,225 (before taxes). Promoter, Midwest boxing club.

FATALITIES

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nationwide determination not to permit obviously injured men to continue fighting, and development of great improvements in ring floor coverings have helped to make boxing eminently safe for the well conditioned athlete.

In Trenton, in his first pro battle, Bryan Thompson of Philadelphia succumbed on March 29 in the second round of a bout with Jerry Leudee of New Haven. The victim, a former National A.A.U. middleweight and Air-Force title holder, passed away as a result of an inter-cranial hemorrhage and pneumonia.

In Providence, Jose Contreras, 28 years old Taunton, Mass., middleweight, succumbed when his head struck the ring floor, which apparently did not have sufficient padding.

The Tampa mishap was only the third in ten years in a Florida ring where during that decade more than 2000 boxers have participated in professional bouts and about half as many more in amateur competition.

When one examines the records of the past ten years and finds 17 deaths in 1952 and 21 in the following year, it is gratifying to note the change that has taken place under the new system of examining contestants. New York, under the able supervision of Dr. Mal Stevens, former Yale football coach, sets the pace. It's most efficient staff of physicians working under the direction of the Medical Advisory Board of which Dr. Stevens is head, is constantly on the alert to prevent ring accidents and quick to halt one-sided contests or those in which one of the boxers has been badly cut.

I have made a special study of ring deaths over the past half century, noting the causes as found by the medical authorities. The figures are so small considering the number of participants that there is no comparison with those of football and auto racing. If as Dr. Doggart, eminent British surgeon, recently remarked in a speech in Atlantic City, "for every onlooker who takes a genuine interest in the technique of boxing, there must be many who consciously or unconsciously utilize boxing to foster their sadistic impulses," is a correct analysis, then in the United States alone, there must be 40,000,000 such sadistic persons since that many, based on accurate reports, watch weekly TV shows. They must enjoy boxing since the sponsors feel that they are getting a good return for their investment.

No place in the world is a boxer better cared for than in this country where with proper supervision, modern equipment, good coaching and training, a boxer is eminently fitted for ring combat. There is an element of danger in all contact sports, but when only three fatalities are recorded in a country where close to 5000 professionals and even more that number of amateurs compete, there can be nothing wrong with boxing in so far as the safeguarding of the individual is concerned.

When Dr. Doggart expressed a feeling of horror at boxing with the statement "the very thought of setting out to smash the organs with fists is a sacrilege, not sport, and it behooves us all to speak out against such barbarism", I don't believe he expressed the opinion of his countrymen who are the most enthusiastic followers of boxing the world over.

The advancement in the past two years has been marvelous. Fourteen deaths in the entire universe over a stretch of two years, of which four are improperly listed against boxing, indicates an eventual elimination of ring fatalities. No one can guarantee absolute safety in a contact sport. Deaths and injuries occur daily even in street crossings despite the warnings of our police officials.

Boxing gloves to-day are a big improvement over gloves used in the past. They make it difficult to separate the thumb from the main portion of the glove, thus protecting the boxer from being thumbed. In England they have a webbing that holds the thumb to the glove. Similar gloves used by amateurs in the U.S.

In New York last year Dr. Stevens and his staff examined 2047 boxers with the electro-encephalogram in an effort to find definite evidence of brain damage. The number found was almost negligible. With proper medical, psychological, neurological, psychiatric and cardiac examinations, there is no reason, according to Dr. Stevens, for any boxer entering a ring without the commission knowing his true physical condition.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

ROCKY MARCIANO APPEARED FOR THE FIRST TIME in the South as referee and officiated in a most capable manner the main event at Tampa, between Johnny Busso, of New York City, and Rocky Randell, of Tampa. The world heavyweight champion awarded Busso a fifth round technical knockout over the former Florida State lightweight champion after 3,000 fans witnessed more action then, than ordinarily found in a main event of 10 rounds. The winner, who fights right back when stung, tipped the beams at 139½, and the courageous loser, 142.

Ferman King, 145½, and Aman Peck, 150, waged a torrid draw in the 10 round semi and only their excellent condition kept both fighters ripping the full distance. King scored with the most punches and Peck landed the cleaner and harder blows. It was well accepted. Peck had previously won over King. Both are Tampans.

Freddie (Kid) Moore, 136¾, Tampa, outfought Davey Seabrooke, 133½, Jacksonville, in a six to gain an unanimous nod in another good tilt. Seabrooke had the early rounds but Moore caught up and then passed Davey. Jim Hegerle, 159½, St. Paul, blasted Sonny Hope, 158, St. Petersburg, for a TKO in the fourth by excellent body punching.

▶Years ago a great fighter could still be great despite his age. Nowadays there is only one exception, a little gent named Willie Pep. At Tampa, Pep proved for the umpteenth time he is able to take 10 out of 10 rounds, quite a feat, but Willie has been doing this from his early days. Against Henry (Pappy) Gault, former North American bantamweight king, Pep accomplished the shut-out before 2,000 fans under his manager, Lou Viscusi's promotion. Game as they come, Gault, of Spartanburg, S. C., couldn't cope with Wily Willie who had too much of everything at his command. The winner, from Hartford and Tampa, tipped the scales at 127½, compared to Gault's 124. Judges Diaz and Solowitz scored Pep, 100-89, and Judge Klein, 100-90.

Jimmy Hegerle, a body-punching Minnesota lad, bopped Benny Deaton, 157, of Spartanburg, for a couple of heats, and proceeded to wind up their scheduled tenner in the third round with head shots. Benny hit the deck for eight but Referee Joey Raymond stepped in when he got up on rubber legs. Hegerle at 160, bears watching.

Calvin Young, 197, Tampa, TKOed Junior Hicks, 178, also Tampa, in two after dropping him four times, all-total.

On this same card, a ten rounder was scheduled between Aman Peck and Ferman King, both of Tampa and who were to renew their rivalry in a third bout. It is regrettable that King, 25 years old, winner of 53 of 55 fights, suffered an intracranial hemorrhage, result of a right hand to the head in the ninth and was to die the following day, 32 hours after the unfortunate accident. Dr. M. A. Chardkoff, the commission medico, attended King until he was rushed to the hospital. Both King and Peck, as other fighters on the card were examined before fight time that day and all pronounced fit. During the fight, Aman started the ninth on Ferman's body and switched to the head. The fatal punch came after 48 seconds had gone by sending King to the ropes and then the canvas. Ferman tried to get up but his right leg failed him. Then Referee Nick Marsicano tried to help the Tampan get to his feet but failed. Marsicano stopped the bout and helped bring King to his corner. Dr. Chardkoff came into the ring as King collapsed on the stool and after the examination a call to the City Fire Department Rescue Squad was made. The fighter breathed easier after their assistance and then placed in an ambulance to the hospital. He didn't regain consciousness.

A switch in style netted Al Andrews a 10 round win over Jimmy Martinez at Miami Beach. Turning boxer for a change, the Superior, Wis. lad had things much his way and came out of the melee an upset victor by an unanimous decision in the Chris Dundee main eventer. A left jab and right cross were depended on by the 163 pounder. The loser, 160¾, of Glendale, Arizona, was put on the defensive.

Bobby Lane, 106½, Kannapolis, N. C., opened up after four rounds and earned himself a 10th round technical kayo over Joe Leudanski, 168½, Chicago. Gordon VanLoo, Grand Rapids, Mich., TKOed Lee Irwin, 153, Miami, in the second chapter. Gordon Pouliot, 174, Miami, and Kelly Davis, 182, Homestead, fought all-even in four. Joe Long, 136, Miami, TKOed Curly Stewart, 131, Norristown, Penn., in the third.

▶Even with a big name boxer as Del Flanagan failed to arouse any interest of pro boxing's return to St. Petersburg. A fingerful of 85 fans came to see Ring Magazine's number six welterweight get a fourth round TKO over pro debuting Billy Newman, local, under the watchful eyes of Referee and former featherweight king, Willie Pep. It was a bad match and naturally Newman felt way out of place against Flanagan, who never tried to hurt his foe. Del played along, and Willie stopped the mismatch as Newman sought refuge in a corner while Del was 10 feet away.

Willis Massey, 138, beat Furman King, 140, both of Tampa, in a four. James Curry, 106, and Art Burgess, 107, both of St. Pete, went three rounds even. Ted Reynolds, 136, beat Lloyd Burgess, 140, in three. Jackie Reynolds, 148, whipped John McClaine, 149, in three, and Donald Duck, 195, bested Jack Riley, 185, in a four.

▶Andy Arel has been fighting below the main eventers at Miami Beach and did good against the opposition. When Promoter Chris Dundee rewarded the Philadelphia southpaw with a main bout, the youngster came through with flying colors. But the full credit must go to Arel. He was sent against a seasoned campaigner, Bobby Bell, and the bookies quickly placed Bell, 4-1. They're sick now. Arel scored a 10 round split decision over the Ohio Bell in his first U. S. topper. His fine start and the ninth round earned him two of the three votes. The other tab was a draw. Bell, one of the very few not to complain about close decisions down here, rallied in the last half to make it interesting. The card drew 2,007 and a gate of $4,098.

Jerry Fowler, 152, TKOed Bobby Elliott, 153½, when Bobby came up with a bad cut left eye in the fifth. Tom Tatum likewise won the same way over Bob Cosgrove in the fourth. Gene Mann decisioned The Georgia Kid in a four, and Gordon Van Loo drew in four with Henry Brown.

▶In a very dull 10 round bout at Miami Beach, Rex Layne, 209½, of Salt Lake City, split decisioned Mike Hammer, 190½, of Detroit. The less said the better. And Referee Jimmy Peerless was just as bad in his officiating, allowing both contestants to foul plenty-like without penalty.

Jim Persey, 180, a boy to watch, beat Tom Tatum, 176, in a Miami six and a good bout at that. Tony Gulleto, 143, Hoboken, took a fast four from Joe Long, 144, Miami. Tony Necro, 154, Warren, Ohio, and Gordon Van Loo, 151, Grand Rapids, drew in a four heater. Carl Ferguson, 167, Miami, and The Georgia Kid, 160, Augusta, Georgia, fought four rounds to a standstill. Gene Lewis, 161, Miami, bested Tom Simonetti, 158, Hollywood, in six rounds. Chris Dundee promoted the show (2,464—$5,444).

▶Ray Portilla's boxing overshadowed Aldo Mente's kayo-trying punches and the New Yorker by way of Mexico emerged winner after 10 rounds over the Florida State lightweight champion in a Tampa tiff. Mente's (140½) loss should not be harmful since this was his first fight in six months, a layoff after a nose operation. Tampans, about 2,200 on hand for Promoter Lou Viscusi's show, saw Portilla (145½) work at long and short range and land the most punches to secure the victory.

Rocky Randell, of Tampa, finished well in the last five of the 10 rounds with Dennis Pat Brady to get a draw. Each at 131. A third tenner saw Ike Chestnut, 132¼, of New York, take an unanimous decision from Freddie Moore, 134½, of Tampa.

Willis Massey, 135, Tampa, took a four opener from Bob Murphy, 136½, of Lakeland, the nod also unanimous.

CANADIAN MARITIME NEWS
By D. Bishop

STELLARTON, N. S.: Top rated Canadian welterweight Earl MacDonald, 148, Sydney, N. S. drew with Doug Odo, 154, New Glasgow, N. S. in the main event of 10 rds.

The semi "6" saw Al MacKay, 143, Stellarton, kayo Jimmy Gillis, 140, Halifax in four action packed rds. Don Hughes, 145, Thorburne, decisioned Olin MacLean, 149, Westville, (4). Kid Paris, 136, New Glasgow, won over Don MacDougall, 138, Thorburne, (4). Kid Horb, 121, New Glasgow, best John Sponagle, 126, New Glasgow, (4).

▶New Glasgow, N. S.: Gary Simon, 159, New Glasgow, surprised with a 7th rd. kayo over Elois Durelle, 153, Baie St. Annes, N. B. These two had split a pair of decisions early this season. Semi-final 6 saw Al MacKay, 140, Stellarton, outpoint Sleed Turnbull, 137, Stellarton, in a rugged fight. Jimmy Gillis, 140, Halifax, won over Donnie Hughes, 146, Thorburne, (4). John Sponagle, 125, New Glasgow, outpointed Jerry Rogers, 127, Thorburne, in 4.

▶Amherst, N. S.: Gerald Walsh passed away in his 55th year. The very popular Walsh won the Maritime featherweight title at the age of 17 in 1918.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY
By Ken (Duke) Stigner

IN THE FIRST BOXING SHOW HELD outside of Philadelphia since the boxing ban by the Pennsylvania Boxing Commission, a card arranged by Charles Dimmerling, promoter, of the Schuylkill Sports Club, at the Orwigsburg War Memorial Stadium, featuring Harry Deputy, Pottsville, and Fred Terry, Philly, proved a very dull affair. Deputy lost the decision in eight rounds. Showing fine speed, a fast left jab and a powerful right, Terry piled up points in all of the eight rounds.

Frank Rapino, Reading, scored a TKO over Ray Matthes, New Jersey, in one minute, 11 seconds of the first round. Cecil Hunt, Wilmington, Del., stopped Tony Cambria, Reading, in one minute, 33 seconds of the second round. This was a sensational battle with both boys standing toe to toe and slugging it out all the way. The kids are middleweights. Noren Young, Philly, gained a TKO over Allen Hughes, Camden, N. J., when the latter was unable to continue at the start of the fourth round. Jimmy Hopkins, Scranton, gained a unanimous four round decision over Marty Bright of Philly.

Only 306 patrons who paid $599.28 witnessed the card.

▶Waiting for the Bell . . . John (Jack Dove) Laggan, one of the best-known names in local fight circles, is convalescing at his home after being confined to a local hospital. Dove used to serve as a corner man for such fighters as Pep O'Brien, Kid Moon, Frankie Farmer and Mickey Doyle. . . . Before this appears in print Wilkes-Barre will come up with its first show of the season featuring, it is said, in the headliner, Tony Baldoni. . . . My new address is 109 Robinson St., Chinchilla, Pa.

IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

WITH DATES SET FOR THE SIOUX CITY Golden Gloves tournament for February 13, 14, 15 and 16, interest in amateur boxing is mounting. Preparation for Golden Gloves competition is also taking shape at the Jewish Community Center at Des Moines, Ia., and several other spots around Iowa.

▶Sioux City Air Base—S. Sgt. Charles Woods, boxing coach at this base, will enter a full team of contestants in the Sioux City tourney.

▶Sisseton, So. Dak.—Bob Hellwig, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is making plans to bring a team to Sioux City.

BOXING IN PUERTO RICO
By Mario Rivero Mantino

SIXTO ESCOBAR STADIUM: Veteran Francisco Colon Garcia, 130, Puerto Rico, who had never lost a return go, succumbed for the second time before the flailing fists of Pedro Tesis, 130, Panama.

Colon-Garcia fought a courageous but losing battle to his much younger foe who copped eight of the ten heats with ease.

In the semi-final six, Gerardo Clemente, 135, won his second pro start when he outpunched Joaquin Suarez, 134. In another six round affair Ruben Cordero Guay, 126 was ahead by a very slight lead over Pastor Casado, 126, when in the fourth round and for no apparent reason Ruben called it quits and Casado was awarded a T.K.O. verdict.

▶Despite the fact that the last boxing show presented here in Puerto Rico, featuring Pedro Tesis of Panama and Francisco Colon Garcia drew an encouraging $3,300 gate, Promoter Arzuaga-Casellas has announced his retirement from further promotional activities. The many problems he encountered in his first venture as promoter forced Arzuaga to call it quits . . . and so he joins a long list of die-hard promoters who have made an unsuccessful effort to revive boxing in Puerto Rico.

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ROCK MARCIANO FIGHTER OF THE YEAR

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men who stood out for the 1955 citation, The Ring Magazine laid heavy stress on 1955, and paid no attention to what might come in 1956. The annual ratings of The Ring Magazine are based on similar policy, meticulously adhered to.

Marciano defended his title with eminent and conclusive success twice in 1955. First he knocked out Don Cockell in nine rounds, then he scored a similar victory over Moore.

The triumph over Cockell, British Empire and European heavyweight champion, was of great international importance. It eliminated the top non-American contender. This sort of thing was not a factor standing to the credit of Basilio.

Both against Cockell and Moore, Marciano played up the vast importance of the clean life, of coming into the ring in top physical condition and giving his best all the way.

After both the Cockell and Moore fights, most of the newspaper reporters appeared to be more concerned with what they called the terrific gameness of the losers, rather than the striking exploits of the champion.

However, these eulogiums of the beaten played up the spectacular aspects of the victories. It was apparent that to stand up against Marciano for nine rounds was a superb feat in stamina and in plain, old fashioned guts.

EASY TO BE STAMPEDED INTO NAMING ROBINSON

It would have been easy for the Selection Committee to have been stampeded into picking Robinson the Fighter of the Year.

However, here is Ray's 1955 record; —On January 5, he stopped Joe Rindone in six rounds in Detroit. This no longer could be regarded as a feat.

On January 19, Robinson lost to Ralph Jones in ten heats in Chicago.

March 29 saw Sugar Ray outpoint Johnny Lombardo in a ten rounder in Cincinnati. In April, the new champion halted Ted Olla in the third in Milwaukee.

On May 4, Garth Panter was outpointed in ten in Detroit, and on July 22, Robinson was quite fortunate to emerge winner over Rocky Castellani in a ten round fight in San Francisco.

These six outings, especially the lost one to Jones and the Castellani affair, in which Ray appeared close to a knockout, hardly prepared the experts for Ray's two round stunner against Olson.

Bobo unquestionably was softened up by his three round knockout by Moore. Everything Olson did from then on was utterly commonplace.

No matter what one may think of Olson, the fact remains that Robinson did a remarkable thing in stopping him, Robinson the 35 year old veteran, Robinson who had quit to go into night club entertaining.

BASILIO OFFERED CLAIMS MUCH LIKE ROCKY'S

Basilio, like Marciano, stresses power and stamina, and the old virtues of the good husband.

Carmen had five fights in 1955. He beat Pete Muller in ten, stopped De Marco, won from Italo Scortichini in ten and from Gil Turner over a similar distance, and ultimately forced De Marco to retire in that Boston ring.

Like Rocky, Carmen showed how important it was for a fighter to keep in shape, to be prepared to do his best physically, and to be able to outlast his rival.

Moore landed fourth place in the Fighter of the Year competition with two fights, a victory and a defeat.

Archie's quick and impressive disposal of Olson, who had allowed himself to be badly overmatched, placed Moore in line for the shot against Marciano.

If Moore had not encountered Olson, the heavyweight fight most likely would have been with Bob Baker.

Having scored so dramatic a knockout over Olson, Moore had to be given the heavyweight chance, and, everything considered, he turned in a great job. However, all of his know-how, all of his skill and cunning availed him little in his effort to go the fifteen round limit.

Patterson was the most active of the boxers listed in the 1955 Big Five.

The Olympic champion had eight fights, every one of them won by a knockout. Floyd started the year with a five round victory over Willie Troy and ten days later scored a similar success against Don Grant.

Esau Ferdinand was belted out in ten, Yvon Durelle in five, Archie McBride in seven, Alvin Williams in eight, Dave Whitlock in three, and finally Calvin Brad in one heat.

SMITH WAS RATED ONLY SEVENTH FOR 1954

Lightweight champion Smith made tremendous strides in 1955. The 1954 ratings of The Ring Magazine showed Bud in seventh place, behind Carter, Paddy De Marco, Duilio Loi, Ralph Dupas, Frankie Ryff, and Eddie Chavez.

Smith opened 1955 with a ten round draw with Johnny Gonsalves, who had been ranked eleventh for 1954. This appeared to promise little progress for Bud in 1955. But he beat Carter once, he beat him twice, and landed in The Ring Magazine's Big Five for the year.

Marciano is the sixth Fighter of the Year from the ranks of the heavyweight champions. The others were Tunney, Max Schmeling, Jack Sharkey, Louis and Ezzard Charles.

Only once has The Ring Magazine failed to make the award in its 27 years' history.

In 1933, it was considered inexpedient to make any selection. That was the year Primo Carnera knocked out Sharkey for the heavyweight title. The Ring Magazine contemplated that event with jaundiced eye.

In 1934, The Ring Magazine made a dual award for the first and only time. It could not decide between Ross and Tony Canzoneri, and honored both of them.

GLOBE TROTTING

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jolt during the year. They not only saw their flyweight idol, Yoshio Shirai, annihilated by Pascual Perez in their return match for the flyweight title, but their next best attraction, featherweight Shigeji Kaneko, was battered into a knockout by the visiting world champion, Sandy Saddler. It was only natural that these crushing defeats of their two top fighters would have a dampening effect on Japanese interest in boxing. There also was a noticeable waning of interest in Thailand after the decline of bantamweight Chamrern Songkitrat. But the sport really boomed in the Philippines, and did so well that promoters not only staged most of the fights for the various Orient titles but were encouraged to import several ringmen from Europe to compete with local favorites. The best Filipino attractions were little fellows, flyweights Leo Espinosa, Danny Kid, Cunning Andy and Tanny Campo, featherweight Larry Bataan and lightweight Leo Alonzo.

Taken by and large, these last twelve months were not particularly noteworthy for major developments in the international sock market, but one fact definitely stood out—boxing still was the world's No. 1 sport, and there seemed little likelihood that anything else in the athletic realm would replace it for some little time to come, if ever.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO

By Lenny Myers

CHUCK SPIESER, 171, REALLY CAME INTO HIS OWN at the Chicago Stadium when he scored a stunning knockout over veteran Paddy Young, 168, of New York. Chuck, looking very strong dropped his opponent three times in the second round which put a finish to the bout in short order. Young was also down for a count of nine in the opening session. Only 1,411 fans braved the cold weather to sit in on the nationally televised encounter, paying only $2,064.77.

In other bouts, Joe Chibe, Frankie Tomaso's pleasing light heavyweight, punched out a four round decision over Terry Rindall. Bobby Rodgers, 130½, stopped Leon Rosano, 130, in the fourth heat.

Crowe Peele, 185, stopped James Peace, 192, in the 4th and final round.

FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

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12. Art Ramponi kayoed Tommy Manaois, 4. Juan Padilla whipped Miguel Burciaga, 10. Jackie Blair kayoed Tommy Baker, 3. Gordon Goodman whipped British Champion Frank Johnson, 10. (non-title). Star Gony defeated Jorge Macias, 10. (twice).

Rocky Randall drew with Dennis Pat Brady, 10. Sammy Bonnicci outfought Bola Lawal, 8. Norm Johnson, kayoed George Reed, 2.

Joey Reynolds decisioned Bobby Bickle, 8. Don Mason kayoed Johnny Hobbs, 2. Stan Perez stopped Joe D'Avy, 2.

Gale Kerwin defeated Fedrico Escalera, 6, and Georgie Collins, 6. Carlos Ortiz whipped Lem Miller, 8. Alvardo Gutierrez drew with Ubaldo Ramirez, 10.

Charlie Cummings halted Willie Brown, 7. Felix Garcia won over Juan Medina, 8. Tommy Flores stopped Manuel Garcia, 8.

Pedro Pina kayoed Gerardo Reyes, 3. Johnny Gorman outscored Toby Coleman, 6. Harry Bell outscored Art Oubre, 6.

Tito Valles stopped Braxton Reed, 3. Tony DeCola whipped Frankie Madison, 6, Frankie also lost to Johnny Gorman, 6.

Walter Taylor edged out Paddy Read, 6. Johnny Juliano kayoed Vinnie Ricco, 4. Bobby Rodgers kayoed Leon Rosano, 4. Tommy Romulo scored over Jet Bally, 10.

Benny Montoya defeated Marvin Smith, 6. Bobby Davis scored over Stan Smith, 6. Orlando Gonzalez whipped Francisco Serrano, 8.

Carl Brunson defeated Vinnie Hinds, 6. Ceferino Montero stopped Mauro Quiroz, 5. Dave LeCompte defeated Jim Armstrong, 5.

Stan Sequeira and Ray Castro drew, 10. Baby Rosales defeated Tato Menendez, 8. Teddy Hall scored over Carroll Genshaw, 10.

Arnold DeMarzio beat Jose Lopez, 6. Enrique Ortiz decisioned Tuzo Jiminez, 10. Bobby Cardenas stopped Enrigue Gomez, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

World champion Sandy Saddler stopped Dave Gallardo, 6 (non-title).

Victor (Sonny) Leon upset Ciro Morasen, 10. Lauro Salas kayoed Billy Evans, 7.

European titleholder Fred Galiana whipped lightweight Joseph Janssens, 10.

Cherif Hamia stopped World Bantamweight king Robert Cohen, 10.

Hogan (Kid) Bassey won the British Empire title by kayoing Billy Kelly, 8.

Orient champion Shigeji Kaneko retained his title by beating Emil Tinde, 12. Victor Manuel Quijano kayoed Chucho Mejia, 6.

Moi Torres won the Mexican title by beating Baby Gonzalez, 12. Puppy Garcia outslugged Chico Medina, 10.

Kid Anahuac kayoed Felipe Sosa, 3. Harold Gomes whipped Carl Fusco, 10.

Ernesto Figueroa beat Jesse Castillo, 10, and kayoed Lucio Torres, 3. Bobby Courchesne defeated Miguel Berrios, 10, and Leroy Jones, 10, Joey Gambino, 10.

Willie Pep outpointed Henry (Pappy) Gault, 10. Bobby Bell lost to lightweight Andy Arel, 10. Paul Jorgensen outscored Young Junior, 10.

Santiago Martinez kayoed Joel Gutierrez, 2. Ike Chestnut drew with lightweight Tony Puleo, 8. Cesar Morales kayoed Carlos Manjarrez, 3, and again in 5.

Larry Vasquez stopped Len Walters, 5. Corky Gonzales whipped Paul Smith, 10. Ruben Salazar scored over Julian Velazquez, 10.

Humberto Carrillo defeated Manuel Armenteros, 10. Baby Gony decisioned Gil Velarde, 10. Julio Escobedo kayoed Cesar Saavedra, 6. Leroy Jones bested Bobby Soares, 6.

Vince Delgado stopped Cleo Lane, 5. Cleo upset Nunu Randle, 10. Byron Cumberbatch bested Baby Manolete, 10. Luis Castillo defeated Otilio Galvan, 10, but lost to Pedro Rocha, 10.

Lenny Burns stopped Alan Cartwright, 9. Eddie Hernendez halted Vic Ponce, 6. Baby Dundee kayoed Vic Fuentes, 8.

Roy Hernandez beat Angel Guerrero, 10., but lost to Trini Ruiz, 10. Trini kayoed Otilio Delgado, 4. Freddie (Kid) Coca, bested Junior Best, 6.

Tony Beltrante scored over Ike Wilson, 6. Luis Covarrubias stopped Fifi Torres, 1. Saul Toledo won over Raul Herrera, 10.

Russ Tague whipped Gil Cadilli, 6. Johnny Nicholas stopped Mario Appolonis, 1. Willie Tomeda outpointed Tenejeros Boy, 8.

Bombon Kiriz stopped Joel Gutierrez, 7. Salvador de la Torre scored over Manuel Perdomo, 8. Joe Wilkinson decisioned Baby Beau Jack, 6.

Bobby Ros won from German Champion Rudi Langer, 10. Paul Armstead kayoed Chico Arroye, 3.

Nestor Reyes bested Strong Canon, 8. Jean Sneyers outpointed Louis Poncy, 10. Davey Lee drew with Billy Beals, 6.

Gus Lesnevich (center), former world light heavyweight champion, in Albany, N. Y., on business, visits Williams Press, one of the largest in the country, where The Ring Magazine is printed. Anthony Ballo (left) of Production, who is in charge of our magazine for Williams Press and Johnny Tomaro, foreman of the Mail Room, are on hand to greet Lesnevich. Tomaro, a former fighter, had a brief, but successful, pro career.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World Champion Robert Cohen stopped by featherweight Cherif Hamia, 10. (non-title).

Raul Macias kayoed Pedro Soto, 6. Mexican champion Jose Lopez whipped Martin Vazquez, 10, and kayoed Ernesto Parram, 4. Emil Chemama outpointed Peter Keenan, 10.

Pimi Barajas upset flyweight Dannv Kid, 10. Aristide Pozzali won vacant Italian title by stopping Franco Lombardozzi, 2.

Ricardo Moreno kayoed Jorge Gabino, 2, Jorge drew with Cheto Fernandez, 8.

Henry (Pappy) Gault kayoed Freddy Hartell, 3, but lost to featherweight Willie Pep, 10.

Larry Bataan outpointed Lee Iiwong, 8. Fernando Gagnon retained Canadian title by beating Jerry Simpson, 12.

Keiichi Komuro won the Orient title on a disqualification over Nai Sonong, 6. German Ohm beat Americo Rivera, 10, kayoed Panchito Silva, 3, and beat Angel Iglesias, 10.

Estudiante Olmos whipped Raul Leanos, 10. Mike Hernandez kayoed Joaquin Carrillo, 3, and Aurelio Mora, 2. Babe Ruiz kayoed Rogelio Saucedo, 7, and Memo Sanchez, 5.

Kid San Martin defeated Ernesto Castaneda, 10. Gildardo Bacho defeated Ernesto Castaneda, 10, and kayoed Zapatero Flores, 8. Jorge Valverde kayoed Beto de Leon, 5.

Henry Miramontes defeated Pat McCarthey, 10. Carlos Cardoso stopped Mike Cruz, 5.

Nando Carvajal whipped Joe Canto, 6, Joe then stopped Joe Pardell, 4. Benjamin Rodriguez stopped Erundino Lopez, 5.

Frankie Campos decisioned Joey Benson, 10. Zurido Sanchez drew with Rocky Herrera, 10. Ross Padilla drew with Bill Vasquez, 10.

Polo Bolanos scored over Pinky Ruiz, 6. Delfin Gamboa kayoed Baby Riverita, 2. Patito Espindola stopped Jose Beltran, 7.

FLYWEIGHTS

Dai Dower retained his British Empire title by outpointing Jake Tuli, 15.

Tanny Campo whipped Jorge Herrera, 10.

Danny Kid lost to bantamweight Pimi Barajas, 10, kayoed George Nii, 3. and retained the Orient title by beating Vitichai Kunoi, 12.

Australian Champion Frankie Bennett, fighting as a bantam, decisioned flyweight Taffy Hancock, 12.

Takeshi Yamaguchi stopped Kitoshi Misako, 10. Cunning Andy scored over Little Brown, 10, Brown drew with Baby Ross, 8.

Eddie Luna outscored Chucko Tello, 10. Ramon Cruz drew with Nacho Escalante, 10, Nacho also drew with Luis Gutierrez, 8. Luis won from Roque Fernandez, 8.

Rudy Alcantara beat Camilo Silva, 8. Cliff Eskridge kayoed Don Williams, 1. Nergo Medina stopped Joe Pardell, 5 and Joe Aguilar, 6.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

TOMAS LOPEZ, NATIONAL WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION, disposed of Miguel Burciaga in two rounds. Tomas looked clever, fast and game.

Julio Escobedo stopped Cesar Saavedra in six. Up to the moment of the knockout, Saavedra seemed to be the winner.

Finals of the XII Golden Gloves and Federal District Tournament, sponsored by local sports daily LA AFICION, took place Wednesday, November 30, at the Coliseo Arena. The tournament included 1,200 boys. The best prospects seemed to be Mauro Vazquez, Vicente Salmeron and Saul Becerril, feather, bantam and flyweight jr. champions, respectively.

▶ Alvaro Gutierrez, 135, drew with Ubaldo Ramirez, 133, in ten, although the winner was Gutierrez. Luis Covarrubias, 124, stopped Fifi Torres, 124, in one. Alfredo Martinez, 147, stopped Roberto Martinez, 147, in two. Rodolfo Gonzales, 127, decisioned Beto Rodriguez, 127, in six. Ramon Ramirez, 114, won over Raul Leal, 111, by disqualification, in two.

▶ Jose Lopez, national bantamweight champion, stopped Ernesto Parra, 119, in four. Baby Ruiz, 119, stopped Memo Sanchez, 117, in five. Roberto Ramirez, 134, stopped Sergio Sanchez, 134, in five. Norberto Cruz, 114, decisioned Chiquilin Torres, 116, in six. Chico Garcia, 116, defeated Antonio Coria, 119, in four.

BOXING IN JAMAICA

By Ken Jones

MELBOURNE PARK:—Gerald Gray, hard-punching battler from Westmoreland, scored a unanimous but hotly contested verdict, to take the welterweight title from Neville Powell of Clarendon.

Fought over 15 rounds, the battle featured action all the way with neither man giving an inch except under extreme pressure. There were no knockdowns.

Freddie Saunders upset Clarence Samuels in a welterweight six-rounder. Frank Orrett ended a long losing streak by landing a surprise kayo on promising George Douglas.

Killer Solomon, 118, outpointed Andy Greenwood, 114, over 6 rounds; Wilfred Grant, 120, whipped Ivanhoe Hanley, 122, in 3 heats.

▶ **MANDEVILLE:**—Simeon Ricketts, promising lightweight, made rapid strides by outpointing the leading man in his division, Kid Banga, in a sizzling ten-round scrap in this town where boxing was being staged for the first time in 15 years.

In the semi-final bantam Tricky Nugent stopped featherweight Basil Bennett in 5 rounds. Earl Fongkin defeated Charlie Tyrell in a lightweight match. Killer Solomon decisioned Andy Greenwood in a bantamweight bout.

▶ **SABINA PARK:**—Emilio Sanchez defeated Allan Escoffery for the second time this year in a lightweight tiff. Fitzroy Lindo whipped Kid Tiburon in a middleweight contest and Ken Messias trounced Herbert Johnson.

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MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

BOXING LOST A TRUE FRIEND when veteran Louis Newman passed away at the Providence Hospital in Detroit. Newman, who was 64 years old, had been ill for over a year and his death was attributed to cancer. Newman first came to the Motor Cty from Colorado in 1922, where he had fought as a lightweight. Activity in the sport found Newman as boxer, manager, matchmaker advisor and whatever else can be connected with the sport. Newman's top fighters were Morrie Sherman, Joe Lucas, Benny Chavez, Carl Norris and Stanley Yoakum. Until recently Newman had been handling localite Eddie Smith, but sold his contract three months ago. The veteran will be sadly missed by all who knew him, and his friends throughout the years were many.

▶ Followers of Detroit heavyweight Johnny Summerlin were indeed delighted over the ranking given him by this publication. Summerlin has done everything anyone could expect of him the past year in having stopped Ernie Cab, Neil Welch, Zora Folley, Charlie Powell, Willie Coleman, Al Hunter and Arthur Wright, while decisioning Bert Whitehurst and Young Jack Johnson. With the turn of the new year, manager Frank Loftus, who has done an excellent job with John, will step up plans to have Summerlin ready for the leading contenders.

▶ The combined efforts of three promoters, Ed Haley, of Flint, a former judge; Hank Steinert, of Saginaw; and the Motor City Boxing Club; gave Flint it's first boxing show in over two years. A crowd of 1,706 fans turned out paying a gross of $3,933.75, which netted $3,274.61 after taxes, to watch three ten rounders, featured by a state championship bout at the IMA.

In the title affair, Clarence "Duke" Harris, 147, Detroit, was awarded the welterweight crown formerly held by Allie Gronik, now retired, when Mickey Savage, 147, Detroit, was unable to answer the bell for the second round. Savage was badly cut in the opening frame and that was the bout in short order. But it is doubtful if Mickey, once a good trial horse, would have given Harris a real go of it, because Yama Bahama had little trouble earlier in the year at the MCA in taking all eight rounds from the ex-marine.

Those two, Don Jasper, 199, formerly of Duluth, Minn., now operating out of Detroit, hooked up with Eddie Lee Walker, 193, Detroit, for the fourth time this year with the former evening up the series at two wins apiece. Jasper hurt Walker with a left hook then knocked him outside of the ropes for the full count at 2:28 of the ninth round.

Yama Bahama, 154, Bimini, Fla., had an easy time winning over Major Woodson, 152, Detroit. Woodson had been fighting five rounders till this one and was definitely out of his class with the kid from the Bimini's. Had Bahama desired to fully extend himself, there most likely would have been a knockout.

Two, four rounders started the card out: Dunn Dixon, 141, Detroit, made it two out of three over Napoleon Ludy, 137, Detroit, and veteran Chet Wiley, 142, Detroit, bested Larry Watkins, 142, Flint.

▶ Muskegon's sixth ranked lightweight contender, Kenny Lane scored a ten round decision over Kid Centella in ten at New Orleans. Lane has shown remarkable progress, having attained a ranking position among the leading contenders in second year of boxing professionally. Kenny has lost only two in his last nineteen starts and both of these were disputed verdicts to Paddy DeMarco and Ralph Dupas.

▶ Popular Chuck Speiser, Detroit lightheavy, scored the best victory of his career when he stopped Paddy Young, of New York, in the second at Chicago. While it was expected that Young would provide Speiser, Ring's ninth ranking lightheavy, with a stiff test, but Chuck had one of the easiest bouts of his career. The former Olympic champion's record now reads seventeen victories and only three defeats. While Chuck is not regarded as a puncher, twelve of his wins have come by knockout. Since returning from the service Speiser has had seven bouts, winning six of these by KO and losing only to Willie Pastrano.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

FIGHTING LIKE THE TRUE CHAMPION HE IS, Carmen Basilio, retained his worlds' welterweight crown by disposing of Tough Tony DeMarco, in the 12th round of their scheduled 15-round title battle at Boston's spacious Garden. Details are found in the special ringside story by Nat Loubet.

Mike DeJohn, 195¼, Syracuse's young heavyweight hopeful came through with a two round knockout win over Bob Robbins, 186½, Westover, on the same card. Tommy Bain, 125, Syracuse, drew with Charlie DeBow, 123½, Brooklyn, in a four round event.

▶ THE LAST BELL: Death came to Tony Petta, former Syracuse lightweight and welterweight boxer, while refereeing a wrestling match at the War Memorial Auditorium. The clean living, balding former North Side ring stylist, has been officiating as a boxing and wrestling third man for the past decade. While officiating in a bout between Bob Leipler and Barney Bernard, a preliminary to the Lou Thesz-Hans Schmidt windup, Tony was undergoing a vigorous "pushing-around," by the big fellows. He dropped to his knees to check if one of the men had shoulders touching the mat. When the athletes arose, Petta remained on the canvas. The club physician hustled into the ring. After examination it was disclosed Tony died of a heart attack. He was 49 years old. During his career he fought many flood fighters. He started in the amateurs winning all of his scraps and as a professional had a good winning record. He was an active campaigner in Syracuse, Albany, Rochester, Buffalo and Binghamton rings. In his amateur "boxing" days, Petta used the name "Joe Rivers." A fine man with a great love of athletics, Tony's passing has made many sad. He had just completed a new home at 102 Lakeview Terrace, in Liverpool, where he resided with his wife Mary Speach Petta and a son, Nicholas A.

Basilio is 28 years old and while he was born and raised in Canastota, N. Y., he currently resides in Chittenango, about 12 miles from Syracuse . . . He chalked up his 48th victory in taking DeMarco . . . Carmen's record shows 11 losses . . . He has never been knocked out.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS RING NEWS
By Don Hamill

RINZY NOCERO, 156, OF COVINGTON, KY. and Brooklyn, N. Y., won a hotly disputed decision over Jay Anderson, 153, Philadelphia, Pa., in an action packed ten rounder. Nocero built up a lead in the first half of the fight with his bull-like tactics and left hooks. As Anderson wised up to his style of fighting he countered well giving Nocero a going over particularly in the 6th, 7th and 8th rounds which he took by wide margins. Nocero rallied in the final heat.

Barry Allison, 152, Westover AFB, won all eight rounds of the semi-final as he punched out an easy decision over Tobey Silvia, 157, Fall River. Earl Matthews, 133, Boston, was impressive in winning a six round decision over Johnny Juliano, 131, Hartford. Bobby Barksdale, 158, Boston, took a four rounder from Tommy Merrill, 166, Philadelphia. Ralph Pellechia, 147, Fitchburg, had too much ring savvy for Walter Humphries, 149, Hartford.

▶ Hocine Khalfi, 136, Algiers, displayed a fast accurate left jab to tame Tommy Tibbs, 134, Boston, in their ten round main event. Tibbs started out as though he would score an upset. He began by blasting body punches into the visitor with unerring accuracy. Khalfi, employing a neat left jab, short left hooks, and a jarring right cross, soon took the fire out of Tibbs and by the end of the fight Tibbs was missing badly.

Barry Allison, 147½, Westover AFB, spoiled the debut of Rudolph Bent, 145½, British Honduras, in the eight round semi-windup, by taking the decision. Allison had been ill but refused to pull out of the match. For that reason he lacked his usual drive. Charley DeBow, 121, Springfield, had to come off the floor to kayo Alfredo Jiminez, 115, Mexico, in the second round of their sixer. Bob Graves, 205, New York, won a decision in a light hitting number over Joe Woods, 186, Westover AFB. Lenny Graveline, 147, Springfield, stopped a game but outclassed Kid Conley, 151, Hartford, in the final heat of the opener.

▶ Bobby Courchesne, 130, Holyoke, made his first local appearance since January when he turned in a masterful performance to win over Joey Gambino, 128, Astoria, N. Y., in ten rounds. Gambino proved to be a good boxer, fast, and had the ability to take it. He bothered Courchesne in the first heat but from then on Bobby was too fast for him. Courchesne outboxed and outpunched his lanky foe to win a unanimous decision. There was a large turnout for the fight as local fans have been following his successes in other rings and particularly his blazing battles on television.

Steve Ward, 142, Hartford, added another win to his already lengthy list by capturing a six round decision over Ralph Pellechia, 146, Fitchburg. Gerry Tessier, 166, Springfield, tossed a body beating into Berry Haynie, 165, Boston, to take their six spot. Rocky Beauregard, 134, Holyoke, and Leo Oddo, 137, Hartford, staged the best bout of the undercard. Experience paid off as Beauregard won. Oddo was making his pro debut. Wilfred Godbolt, 151, Springfield, was gifted with a split decision over Walter Humphries, 150, Hartford, in the curtain raiser.

▶ Sammy Walker, 158¾, Springfield, won an easy but uninspiring ten round decision over light hitting Pete Adams, 158¾, Newark, N. J. Adams used a pawing left and seldom used his right as he tried to hold back the advances of Slammin' Sammy. Walker held the advantage all thru the fight but he was not stung by Adams' punches and so was not spurred to the action that has made him an attraction hereabouts. The fight was not devoid of action. Adams threw many powder puff punches while Walker's were harder and damaging.

Jimmy Piper, 140, New York, won by a second round tko when Earl Matthews, 134½, Boston, suffered a cut eye. Lenny Graveline, 146¾, Springfield, scored his third straight kayo in as many pro bouts by halting Young Volpe, 147, Hartford, in three rounds. Ronnie Chapdelaine, 147, Springfield, allegedly turned pro when he was given the best of a draw verdict with Walter Humphries, 147¾, Hartford. Chapdelaine had enjoyed a successful amateur career and several pro bouts in Florida and local rings under the names of Jimmy Reed and Jim Delaney. Berry Haynie, 164, Boston, eked out a split decision over Dubey Josey, 159½, Springfield, in the four round opening event.

PROGRESS AWARD TO CHUCK SPEISER

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warrant either's choice for the Most Progress award. McDonnell's activity had been confined to bouts with Australian rivals, and the calibre of the island continent's middleweights these days is decidedly mediocre. Although Murphy, up to the Vejar episode, had scored thirteen straight wins, nine by knockouts, his victims were either unknowns or washed-up veterans.

EUROPEAN rings came up with a few fast-moving candidates. One was Ingemar Johansson, 23-year-old Swedish heavyweight. A former Olympian, Johanssen turned professional after the 1952 Games in Helsinki, but after a few minor wins his ring career was interrupted by a hitch in the Swedish Navy, and it wasn't until the winter of 1954-55 that the young man settled down seriously to leather-tossing as a trade. Meeting stronger opposition as he moved along, Johansson capped his all-winning campaign by demolishing the German veteran and former European champion, Hein ten Hoff, in a one-round blitz in Gothenburg. Ingemar's complete record as a pro shows an even dozen victories, seven by knockouts, and as 1955 ended he was recognized as No. 1 challenger for the European heavyweight title.

Of Britain's better developments during the year, probably the best was Peter Waterman who, before reaching his 21st birthday, had become a strong contender for both British and European welterweight laurels. A clever boxer and stiff puncher, Waterman's outstanding achievements, from an international standpoint, were knockouts of the rugged French champion, Valere Benedetto, and the cagey Portuguese veteran, Raphael DaSylva.

A pair of youthful Latin-Americans, welterweight Isaac Logart of Cuba and lightweight Ludwig Lightburn of British Honduras, accounted for considerable progress during the year. Although he had been fighting since 1949, the 22-year-old Logart was virtually unknown to the world at large when 1955 began, but he ranked well up among the leading 147-pound title contenders when the year ended. A nimble boxer, with two fast hands and plenty of ring savvy, Issac lost only one decision in eight starts and that one, to rated Virgil Akins, was squared away in a return match. Aside from Akins, the only "name" opponent in Logart's record was Gil Turner, but the flashy Cuban established his qualifications by the workmanlike job he did on the fading but still formidable Philadelphian.

A tall, rangy kid, with a shifty style and a pair of sharpshooting fists, 19-year-old Lightburn packed in a busy year and the only defeats charged against him were two close, disputed decisions awarded to heavier, stronger Logart. Lightburn's most notable performances were victories over the experienced French-Algerian, Hoacine Khalfi, and high-ranking Ralph Dupas.

Larry Boardman, 19-year-old Connecticut lightweight, was another prominent development during 1955. In spite of his youth, Boardman was in with some rugged opposition and the only decision he lost was to rated Kenny Lane, a southpaw. Two of Larry's better accomplishments were a knockout of Dennis Pat Brady and a verdict over the Canadian veteran, Armand Savoie.

FOR actual progress in major competition in 1955, The Ring staff could find no eligible candidate with a better record of accomplishment than Chuck Speiser. Chuck hopped all the way from no listing at all in 1954 to a conspicuous light-heavyweight rating in 1955.

A former amateur and teammate of Chuck Davey's at Michigan State, Speiser turned pro late in 1952 but was something less than a four-alarm riot, and it didn't look as though the ring was losing much when the Army grabbed him during the summer of 1953. Nobody paid much attention to him when, out of the service, he quietly resumed his boxing career early last year. He tuned up on three quick wins over minor opposition in Milwaukee, Chicago and Detroit, then accounted for an impressive knockout of Andy Mayfield in Miami Beach. In his next start he met up with his first important opponent, Willie Pastrano, in Chicago. Although he lost the decision, Chuck came through with a surprisingly good showing, forcing his speedy, more experienced rival to hustle all the way.

Demostrating that his performance against Pastrano was no mere flash in the fistic pan, Speiser, in his next two outings—his last two of the year—established his right to be rated among the light-heavyweight leaders. He went in against opponents who had previously gone the ten-round distance with Pastrano, and he bettered Willie's efforts against both. Brittle-chinned but dangerous Willie Troy had battled Pastrano to a draw in Chicago. Speiser flattened Troy in the fifth round in Washington. Then the veteran but still formidable Paddy Young, who had lost a decision to Pastrano in New Orleans, was wrecked in less than two rounds by Speiser in Chicago.

Thus, from complete anonymity in 1954, Chuck Speiser hurtled in one year to a rating among the world's light-heavyweight Big Ten. After considering all the other candidates and their qualifications, The Ring staff felt that the erstwhile Michigan State collegian was the fighter who had accounted for the most important Progress in 1955.

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ler spun Ray around and sent him sprawling against the ropes. The German seemed to have scored a clean knockdown in the seventh when he clipped Drake with a right to the chin, but as he fell Ray grabbed Muller and the two tumbled to the canvas together. Both scrambled up immediately and Referee Joe LoScalzo called it no knockdown. The semi-final ended at 1:33 of the sixth, Jerry Luedee, 163¾, New Haven, stopping Don Bryant, 162, Harlem. Joey Wilkinson, 125¾, Washington, D. C., won from George Seabrook, 129¾, Bronx, in six. Two of three scheduled fours ended in quick one-round kayos, Bobby Jackson, Philadelphia, halting Sol Cirosa, 126½, Brooklyn, at 1:06, and Billy Black, 190, Philadelphia, polishing off Carl Stewart, 181, Harlem, at 2:34. In the other four, Tommy Danetti, 173, Brooklyn, outpointed Cy Anderson, 172, East Orange, N. J.

▶ The second of Sunnyside Garden's non-TV shows may not have been an overwhelming success from either an attendance or financial standpoint—the turnout was about 700 with the gate hitting a gross of $1,100—but it was an exciting card that promised to reap better returns for the club's future operations. For sustained action the show left little to be desired. It was loaded with fast boxing, rugged slugging and lively exchanges. In two co-featured eights, a pair of veterans divided honors with a couple of up-and-coming youngsters. Rusty from a year and a half away from the ring, Joe Blackwood, 163, Paterson, N. J., was beaten by aggressive Clarence Floyd, 168, Bronx, while Phil Rizzo, 159, Brooklyn, had a rough time edging out Mickey McGrath, 162, Bridgeport, Conn. Of the eight boys appearing in a quartet of fours, seven were Brooklynites. The only "outsider" was Manuel Fernandez, 149, Harlem, who lost to Benny Hernandez, 151. In the all-Brooklyn outings, Harvey Charles, 133, edged out Jess Watson, 136; Bobby Gomez, 160, decisioned Tony Danto, 164, and Johnny Webster, 159½, registered the only kayo of the night by stopping Mickey Martino, 161½, at 1:30 of the second.

▶ Disgusted with his showing, Lulu Perez, 135, Brooklyn, announced his retirement from the ring after blowing an upset decision to Paolo Rosi, 134½, Italy, in a fast-moving, hard-punching ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Rosi won by crowding Perez all the way and not giving the Brooklynite much of a chance to use his speed and shifty boxing tactics. Perez couldn't seem to find a defense against Rosi's right, and was repeatedly staggered by it. He was in trouble in the fifth, sixth and seventh rounds. He rallied in the eighth and ninth, but faded in the tenth and was a well-beaten young man when the final bell rang. A pair of Long Island rivals hooked up in the semi-final six, Gale Kerwin, 140, Valley, taking the decision from George Collins, 139½, Astoria. Another six paired a couple of East Siders, Henry Winchman, 148, edging out Itzy Wallach, 145¾. In fours, Anthony DiBiase, 149½, Long Island City, won from Hector Benitz, 148½, Harlem, and Mickey Sparato, 135, East Side, celebrated his return to the ring after two years in the Army by beating Felix Hernandez, 135¼, Puerto Rico.

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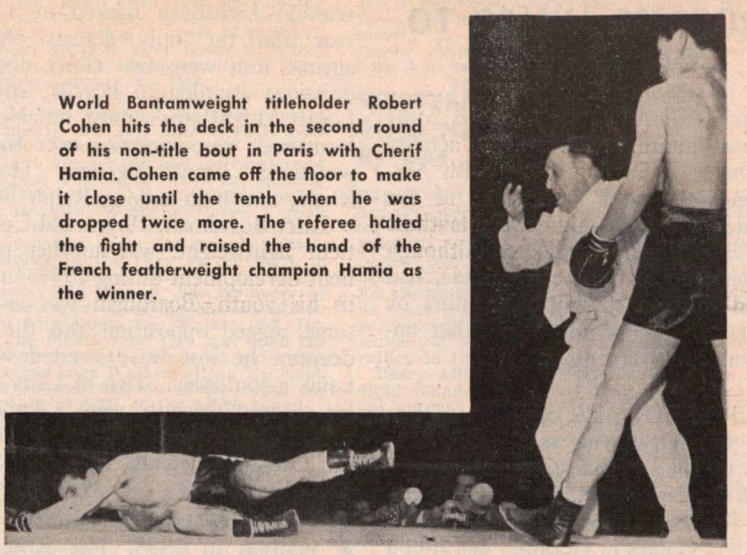

World Bantamweight titleholder Robert Cohen hits the deck in the second round of his non-title bout in Paris with Cherif Hamia. Cohen came off the floor to make it close until the tenth when he was dropped twice more. The referee halted the fight and raised the hand of the French featherweight champion Hamia as the winner.

BAKER-VALDES A DUD

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and refused to take big chances. They forgot Moore.

No matter what the reasons, Baker and Valdes defeated the primary purpose of their meeting, and thoroughly bilked those who had paid $63,392 to see the card.

If there was any consolation for the disappointed patrons, it derived from the fact that their money, minus $25,000 for the fighters, went into the Cleveland News Christmas Fund, a worthy local charity.

Baker weighed 213½ pounds and Valdes 207. Nino's early knockout of Don Cockell in London last September had lifted him to a prominent spot. But he blew all the benefits which had accrued from that victory. In fact, the Cuban blew himself right into limbo.

The failure of the main event to arouse the onlookers to anything but derision played up the semi final, in which Eduardo Lausse, Argentine middleweight, scored his thirtieth consecutive victory. He stopped England's John L. Sullivan after one minute of action in the fifth round. Referee Lou Parker intervened, with Sullivan totally unable to defend himself.

Orlando Zulueta, Cuban lightweight, got a unanimous eight round decision over Walter Brown, of Baltimore, and Gasper Ortega, New York middleweight, outpointed Tony Gonzales of East Orange, N. J. in a six rounder.

PITTSBURGH AND WEST VIRGINIA NOTES
By Mickey Davies

A NEW GYM WAS OPENED AT 5800 BAUM BLVD., in Pittsburgh the last week of November by local fight managers Hymie Schwartz and Fats Wingo. The new biff bistro, called The Big Three A.C., will serve as training quarters for most of the Steel City's top fighters.

▶ QUICKIES—Billy Neumont, Pittsburgh lightweight and Miss Betty Lawrence tied the knot in late November. . . . Willie Cliff, Huntington lightweight, just signed for another "cruise" in the Navy. . . . Truly sorry to hear about the passing of Harry Hartman in Cincy. . . . We had known Harry since the early 1930's when he was sports director of WFBE in the Queen City. . . . Clyde Mayberry, local 135 pounder, in town after a successful sojourn in Southern rings. . . .

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN OHIO
By Albert M. (Al) Wolgast

PROFESSIONAL BOXING RETURNED TO YOUNGSTOWN, under the promotion of AL NAIMAN of Clevland and matchmaker JACK TRAMMELL of Youngstown. Although the fight card, featuring local talent, was tops in action, only a small crowd of about 700 fans sat in on the show.

In the main go heavyweight ART MAYORGA, 215, Youngstown, edged JOHNNY HOBART, 190, Niles, in a rousing six-rounder.

EARL BATIE, 152, Warren, Ohio, scored a four-round verdict over HARRY UMBLES, 159½, Canton, Ohio.

AL POWELL, 152, Canton, stopped JOHN McKAIN, 152, Youngstown, in the third round.

EARL McALWAY, 146, Youngstown, whipped CHARLES HARRIS, 150, Cleveland, 4.

▶ TEN SECOND SHOTS: TOM CARNEY again is handling the Golden Gloves tournament at the Youngstown Arena. This is Carney's 27th annual tournament and from these tournaments have come all of the top-notch pro fighters who have gained national fame. Such as BOBBY BELL, TONY JANIRO, SONNY HORNE, BOOM BOOM MANCINI, JOEY CARKIDO, TOMMY BELL, L. C. MORGAN and others. . . .

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY
By Bus Burke

THE MARTINEZ, CHRISTENSON FIGHT recently in St. Louis was the first pro fistic presentation in the Mound city in months and months. It was a shame that the loyal fans of St. Louis had to suffer through such a fiasco. This Thanksgiving Eve boxing show presented locally by the I.B.C. left little to the 2,121 fans in attendance to be thankful for as far as the fighting was concerned.

In the ten round main event Martinez elected to hit and run and won all the way in a dull fight.

It was the eighth round semi wind-up which really pulled the wraps off of the show. This showed Joe Reynolds, a St. Louis lad, paired with Bobby Bickle of Kansas City in a slam-bang action bout with Reynolds winning after suffering two bad moments in the early rounds.

In the opening bout Al Jones of St. Louis scored a six round decision win over Abe Cruz of Chicago. In other bouts, which were all four rounders, Charley Spruell of Chicago won on a T.K.O. over St. Louis's Willie Frazier in two rounds. It took one round for Ted McKane to KO Buddy Black of Chicago.

HAS WALES PRODUCED ANOTHER DAI DOWER?

Ron Davies Sets Alight Flyweight Division

Within a month some 30,000 amateur boxers will be well on the long road that leads to stardom or disappointment. For several hundreds who eventually reach the championship straight — the area and divisional area championships and Services finals — there will be the dream of every young champion the Olympic Games, this year in Melbourne.

There is little doubt that we shall see several new faces at Wembley in May. Certain it is that there will be new title holders at heavyweight, light-heavy and bantam, while it will come as no shock to me if Derek Lloyd, (flyweight), Tommy Nicholls (featherweight) and Frank McQuillan (light-welter weight) go under in the razor keen struggle for A.B.A. titles.

Just keep your eyes on a young Welshman named Ron Davies, a mere stripling of 112 pounds who has the speed of Dai Dower and the punch of a full bantam.

Davies has already beaten the two top flyweights, Alex Ambrose the stylish Scot, and Derek Lloyd the Army, I.S.B.A. and A.B.A. flyweight champion. And you may remember that in the Army v London match the Army prefered Davies to the ABA champ Lloyd.

On his form they couldn't do much else. I believe Wales will come back into the flyweight limelight again with this brilliant little man Ron Davies.

MAD ABOUT HARRY

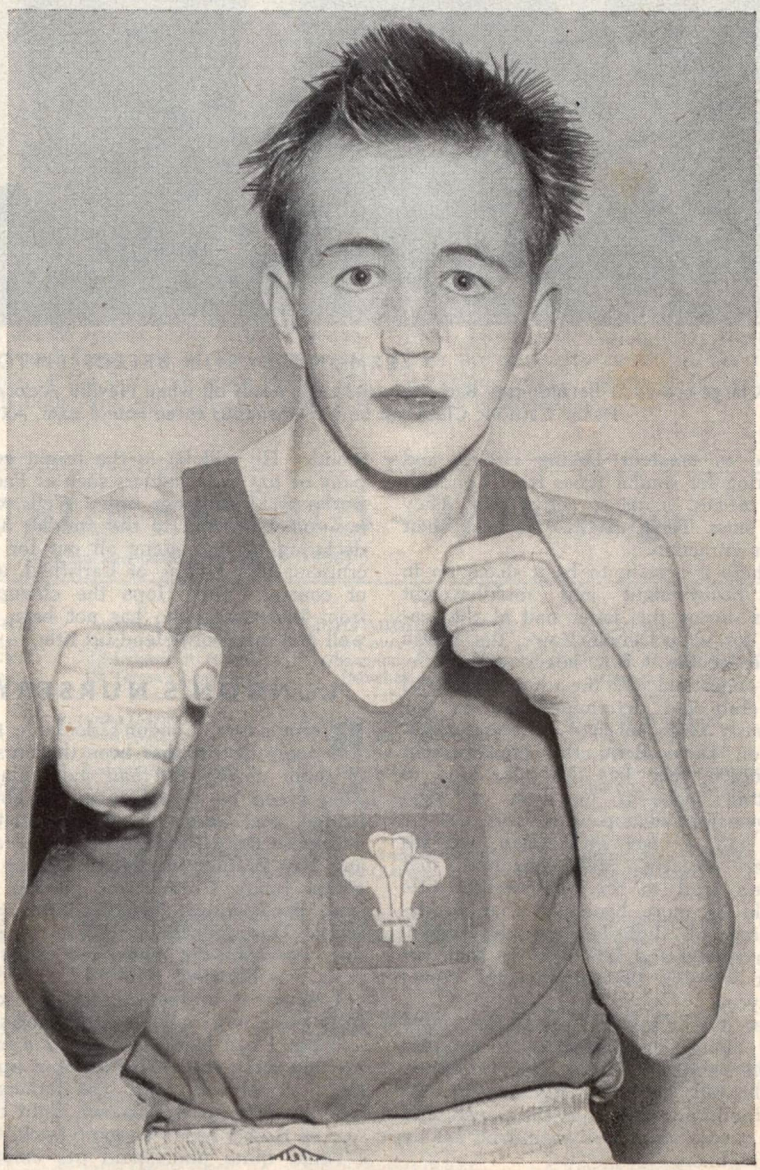
When London's Irish colony, down by the Tower Bridge, learned that Irish idol and "champion of the year" HARRY PERRY was booked to box in Bermondsey there was tremendous excitement. Fisher Catholic Club, with its accustomed foresight waited until the international with Ireland was over and immediately got the great Dublin boxer to agree to box on their programme at the local baths near the Thames.

Perry agreed at first only if the Fisher club could get NICK GARGANO for him, but as Nick had not long been married and was still nursing a bruised right hand, he could not accomodate the Irish star.

It mattered little to the London fight fans who the opposition would be. All that did matter was that Harry Perry, pride of all Ireland, was coming to Bermondsey. And Perry knew that he would be among his own... so HE did'nt worry either. If Perry decides to enter the A.B.A. championships as well as his own Irish meeting, I do not know one England boxer capable of stopping him. That's how good he is.

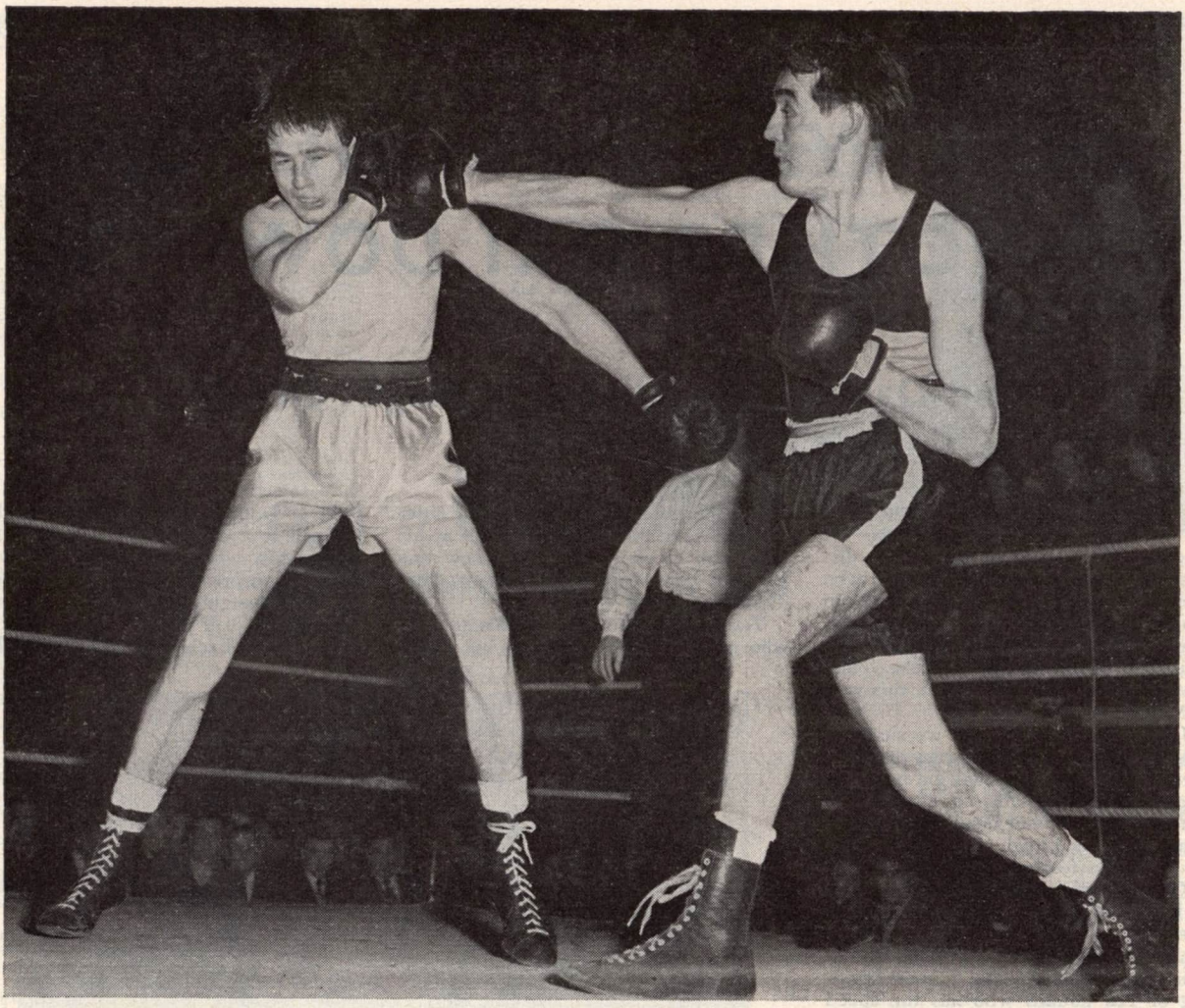
Terry Hollis, the Stock Exchange clerk who gave Perry such a tough but losing fight in Dublin, tells me he will probably call it a day. Hollis came into the limelight a couple of years ago by a series of surprising wins over London's top welterweights, but his work takes a considerable call on his time.

The Stock Exchange club, once a big



RON DAVIES

The Judge tips this young Welshman to win the A.B.A. flyweight title. He looks the best prospect since Dai Dower.



BERMONDSEY STILL BREEDS 'EM TOUGH'!

A large crowd at Bermondsey Baths shouted their heads off when Neville Axford, of Bradfield B.C (left) and Jimmy Cottrell Fisher Catholic Club) put on a tremendous three round slam. Axford gained a narrow decision.

name in amateur boxing circles, and catering for similar types from London's city offices, is not so active now. They will miss Terry Hollis. He was their main attraction.

There is certain to be a shake up in the heavyweight and middleweight ranks during this latter half of the season, for with Dennis Rowe, the Welsh holder of the A.B.A. heavyweight title, now concerned with the administration of his club and determined not to box seriously again, all eyes are being centred on Dave Rent, the cruiserweight champion, who has the right kind of fighting make-up to make a good heavyweight champ.

I had a chat with Dave and his father recently, and suggested that Dave's road to the heavyweight title would be more beneficial than in defending his light-heavyweight crown. Both agreed and I believe we shall see Rent winning the heavyweight crown this year.

Yet it will surprise me if the young Poly blond, Dave Thomas, is not also in the running. I have been impressed by this tall clever boxing youngster who has the brains as well as the punch, and in a couple of seasons should be among the topliners.

In the middleweights there will be Bernard Foster, the light-middle holder, who has been out of active work for six months. He will be in the bright company of top class fighters such as Paddy Burke of Manchester, Bruce Wells, who has somehow kept to the middles after declaring he was going all out for the cruisers; Ron Perren, of Earlsfield, and, of course, Frank Hope the champion from Liverpool, who has not been too well and may not defend his title.

LONDON'S NURSERY

Bermondsey, London's dockside tannery district, has been the nursery of more champions than most places. They breed 'em to fight near the Tower Bridge, and when the brainy matchmakers of the Fisher Club Jimmy Walsh and Ray Bartlett managed to bring together Jimmy Cottrell and Neville Axford, Bermondseys' two deadliest rivals at the Dockside Baths, the entire seating was sold out two days after the news was released!

I have sat at the ringside for some forty years now, amateur and professional, but I can hardly remember a more exciting scrap than these two put up on the night of the show. The fathers of both used to be well known fight characters twenty years or more back, and I could quite understand the emotion both were unashamedly given to as the roars of the crowd told people a long way away that a Donneybrook Fair was in progress.

Even usually poker-faced priests were forced to join in the excitement as first one then the other went near to a K.O. defeat. It was a wonderful fight, and right up to the last ten seconds nobody in that hall dare say who would win. That would have started another scrap.

But Axford, a Federation champion, and brilliant stylist with a wicked punch, just about pipped Cottrell on the post to win by a photo finish.

With the bantamweight title resting in the air, quite a few boxers in and around the Metropolitan area and the North are mapping out the right way to reach Wembley and that particular crown. Don Weller, the London southpaw, who thrives on weekly contests anywhere is being looked on as one of the most likely to get there. But I have a hunch that the Hanwell youngster Ken Hawkins, shadowing Weller wherever he goes, will be in the near vicinity when the title is being fitted.

Gordon Blakey, the game Roath club bantamweight, is now back in action after his broken jaw accident a few months back. He tells me his jaw is taking heavier smacks without any trouble. So I would advise Messrs. Weller, Hawkins, Roger Baldwin and Scotland's O. Reilly that they will want to be at their best when Blakey is in the same ring.

I was not surprised to find that Ken Grieg, the former Northern Counties flyweight star, had come unstuck in his professional debut. Ken, a likeable lad, had plenty of time in which to learn the ways of amateur boxing before taking any plunge into the cash side.

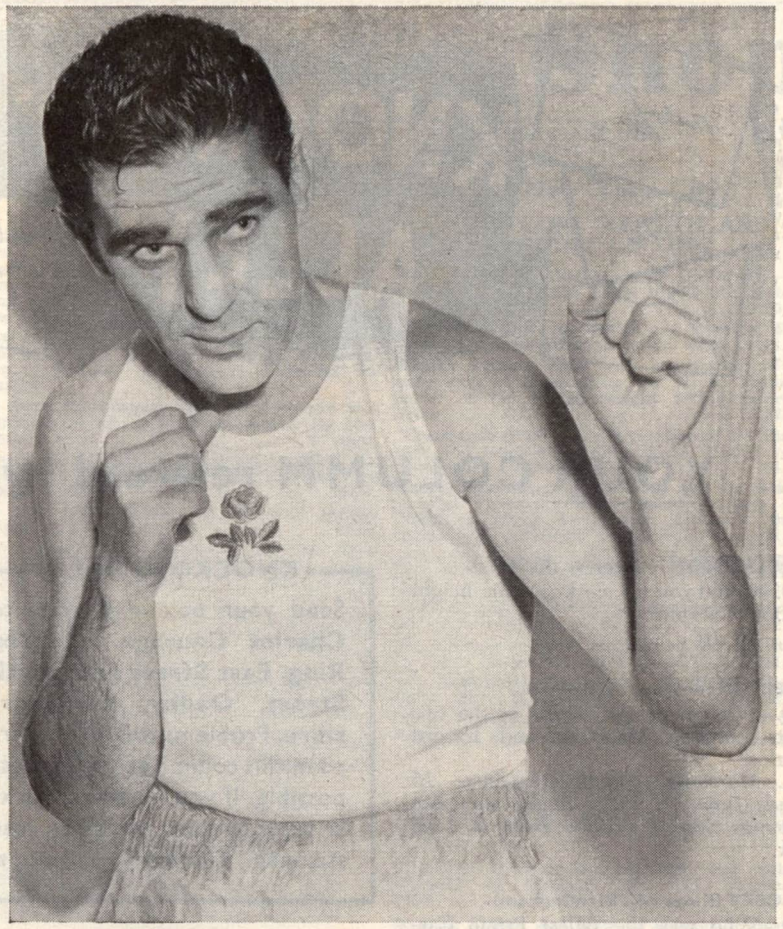
Walking to the Russian Embassy, with Peter James, the 6ft 4 ins Naval heavyweight champion, I asked him how he felt about his boxing future, and he was man enough to say he did'nt feel all that confident. Yet a few weeks back I met him in an entirely different frame of mind. He had just belted the boxing life out of a huge fellow from Stepney and although distressed himself was of the opinion that had come a long way on the road that leads to the top rung of the heavyweight ladder.

JAMES WAS GOOD

Against this Stepney giant, James DID look good. His left hand played havoc with his opponent's features and there was plenty of devil behind solid right handers.

Who has he to fear in the Navy championships? Nobody I know. But when it comes to the I.S.B.A. that might be an entirely different matter, although Peter should once again find himself booked for the A.B.A. championships.

I understand there is a possibility that the annual match between London and New York will be continued after all. You will remember when the London 'Fed' boys went to America last year they came in for a punishing time, and it was the opinion of the A.B.A. that as there are no Juniors in American club boxing, the match was not one to be continued. Now I hear efforts are being made to make the match between more evenly matched lads, such as our Youth boys around the age of seventeen, which is the average age of the American 'boys' club members.



PETER JAMES
The Navy heavyweight champion has mixed feelings about his future but should reach Wembley again for A.B.A. championships.

I am all against badly matched youngsters and I was one of the most severe critics of the last New York match, but with both sides equal in age, even if it must be admitted that the American boys are more experienced in the fighting game, there seems to be a much better arrangement.

BRITISH AMATEUR RATINGS – By The Judge

(Up to and including Jan. 1, 1956)

HEAVYWEIGHTS (Over 178 pounds) Title vacant	LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS (Not over 178 pounds) Champion: D. RENT (Maple Leaf, Bootle)	MIDDLEWEIGHTS (Not over 165 pounds) Champion: F. HOPE (St Teresa's Liverpool)	LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHTS (Not over 156 pounds) Champion: B. FOSTER (Mitchell & Butler)	WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 148 pounds) Champion: N. GARGANO (Covent Garden)
1. D. Rent (M. Leaf, Bootle)	P. Lyons (Dublin)	P. Burke (Manco)	R. Francis (Brixton)	P. Byrne (R. Northern)
2. P. James (Royal Navy)	E. Woollard (Eton Manor)	B. Wells (RAF)	D. King (Harbour Hill)	J. Colwell (Wales)
3. D. Sammons (Fairbairn)	J. Harper (Army)	R. Perren (Earlsfield)	M. Loughran (Tradah)	P. Jones (Sankeys)
4. T. Bruce (Dublin)	R. Sangoe (Army)	R. Redrup (West Ham)	T. Lake (Army)	J. McLoughran (Sandemouth)
5. B. Jones (Ferndale)	R. Wingrove (Dagenham)	G. Aldrigde (Army)	R. Garnett (Earlsfield)	T. Hollis (Stock Exchange)
6. B. Clark (Army)	P. Spearman (RAF)	L. Mullen (RAF)	P. Eldrigde (RAF)	J. Thurgood (T. Army)
7. O. Brady (Retford)	F. Thomas (Newport)	I. Thorne (Bedminster)	J. Doig (Dalmarnock)	M. Leahy (Coventry)
8. J. Robinson (Belfast)	T. Gibbons (Army)	E. Price (Pullman)	B. Waters (Burtons)	M. Lanning (RAF)
9. R. Smith (Wolseley)	W. Hall (LMS)	C. Calderwood (Craigneuk)	Cpl P. Batterham (Army)	L. Newman (Camberwell)
10. J. Seenan (LMS)	E. Ball (Stoke)	R. Saunders (Royal Navy)	K. Cook (Army)	G. Galvin (Terenure)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 140 pounds) Champion: F. McQuillan (Scotland & RAF)	LIGHT-WEIGHTS (Not over 133 pounds) Champion: S. COFFEY (Ireland & Manco)	FEATHERWEIGHTS (Not over 126 pounds) Champion: T. NICHOLLS (Sankey's, Wellington)	BANTAMWEIGHTS (Not over 119 pounds) Title vacant	FLYWEIGHTS (Not over 112 pounds) Champion: D. LLOYD (Army & Chingford)
1. H. Perry (Brit. Rlys)	B. Jones (Raleigh)	T. Swan (LMS)	A. Reddy (Ireland)	R. Davies (Caerphilly)
2. R. Murray (Repton)	G. Martin (Fisher Catholic)	B. Carrol (Army)	F. Gilroy (Ireland)	A. Ambrose (Army)
3. M. Weston (Patchways)	M. Edwards (Pullman)	B. Jago (Army)	D. Weller (Battersea)	C. Rafter (N. City)
4. G. Lucas (Hanwell)	B. Cuvis (Wales)	A. Devlin (PLA)	W. Lawrence (Perth)	F. Spencer (Wolverhampton)
5. J. Mills (Royal Navy)	B. Vodden (RAF)	J. Cuthbert (Army)	G. Blakey (Roath)	P. Walsh (R. Northern)
6. D. Howard (Manchester)	P. Jackson (Royal Navy)	E. Duffy (Ireland)	C. Horne (Army)	N. Gustard (RAF)
7. G. Teidt (S. City)	R. McTaggert (RAF)	F. Woodman (Earlsfield)	O. Reilly (Scotland)	A. Jones (Wilmot-Breedon)
8. H. Edwards (Army)	A. Donnachie (Greenock)	T. Gordon (Ardwick Lads)	K. Ronaldson (Royal Navy)	B. Dillon (Stepney)
9. A/C Lanson (RAF)	T. Andrews (Treharris)	F. Kelly (Liverpool)	R. Baldwin (Exeter)	P. Bhattacharjee (J. Lyons)
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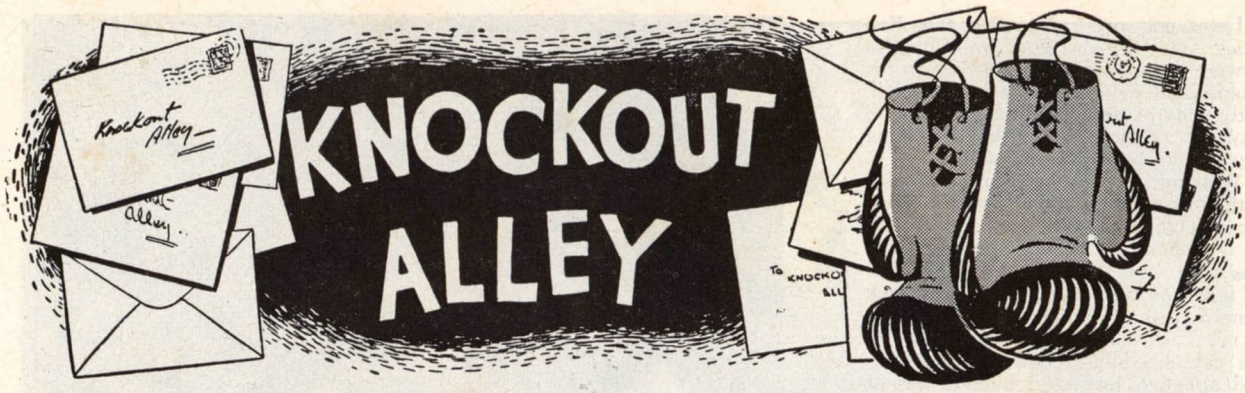

YOUR COLUMM refereed by Charles Courage

G. WILKINSON (Hinton-st., Burnley).

Q.—Could you let me know the height of Don Cockell?

A.—5ft 10".

J. FIELD (Hool-y-dwr, Heroford).

Q.—What were the results of the two fights between Marciano and Ezzard Charles?

A.—Marciano won on points, 15 rounds June 17, 1954. Rocky won k.o. 8 rounds Sept 17, 1954. Both in New York.

T. HOSEY (Kings-rd., Birmingham).

Q.—Who was the tallest Primo Carnera or Jess Willard?

A.—Willard, 6ft 6¼"; Carnera, 6ft 5¾".

R. H. GILMORE (Fairfield Close, Exmouth).

Q.—Could you tell me where Randolph Turpin was born and the nationality of his parents and is Turpin his real name?

A.—Leamington, June 7, 1928. Father a West Indian who served with King's Royal Rifles in first world war. Mother English. Turpin is his correct name.

E. W. PARR (King-st., Rotherham).

Q.—Who were the two first coloured boxers to fight for the world heavyweight championship? At a local quiz the Question Master said Joe Louis and H. Armstrong.

A.—Jack Johnson and Jim Johnson, both Negroes. They fought in Paris, Dec 9, 1913, referee called it a draw when Jack Johnson declared he had broken his arm.

W. JARVIS (Church Drive, Shirebrook).

Q.—Was there a Dempsey who fought Bob Fitzsimmons?

A.—Jack Dempsey (John Kelly, the Nonpareil) lost world middleweight title to Fitzsimmons at Nevada, Oregon, Jan 14, 1891, k.o. in 13th round.

J. A. H. BROWN (Woodford-ave., Ilford).

Q.—A friend argues that Nat Fleischer considered Gene Tunney a greater world champion than Jack Johnson. Could you confirm that statement.

A.—Nat Fleischer definitely states in his Record Book that Johnson was the greatest and lists in succession, Jim Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jack Dempsey, Jim Corbett and Joe Louis.

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G. McAULEY (Whitecliff Crescent, Belfast).

Q.—How many Irish born boxers have won world titles?

A.—Seven. Geo Gardner, Mike McTigue (light-heavy); Jack Dempsey (John Kelly, "the Nonpareil") (middle); Jimmy McLarnin (welter); Jack McAuliffe (light); Ike O'Neil Weir (feather); Rinty Monaghan (fly).

J. BYMLE(Saxon-st., Birkenhead).

Q.—Was the championship fight between Dai Dower and Jake Tuli televised?

A.—No.

S. UPTON (Bennett-st., Buxton).

Q.—Under what circumstances did Battling Siki die?

A.—He was killed in district known as Hell's Kitchen, New York, in a brawl, Dec. 15, 1925.

L. WHITE (Green Lane, Clapham).

Q.—Was Gene Tunney ever defeated during his professional eareer?

A.—Yes, by Harry Greb for the American light-heavyweight title. Tunney regained title in a return.

G. W. DAWSON (Seymour Drive, Overpool).

Q.—Did Nel Tarleton win the world featherweight title and did he fight Dave Crowley?

A.—No. He was twice beaten by Freddie Miller of America at Liverpool. Tarleton beat Crowley in a contest for the British title in London.

V. TURNER (Ashurst Drive, St Helens).

Q.—Did the late Dave Sands beat Dick Turpin for the British middleweight title; if not, who did?

A.—Sands stopped Dick Turpin in the first round to win the British Empire middleweight title at Harringay Arena, Sept. 6, 1949.

E. EVANS (Cornwall-rd., London).

Q:—Could you tell me the age of Young Stribling when he died and what year?

A.—Young Stribling, born, Dec 26, 1904. Died in Maccon, U.S.A. Oct 2, 1933, from injuries suffered in motorcycle accident.

H. GRIBBEN (Hall Lane, Liverpool).

Q.—Was John L. Sullivan world heavyweight champion, if so who did he beat?

A.—Sullivan beat Jake Kilrain, 75 rounds (last championship fight, bare knuckles, July 8, 1889, Richburg, U.S.A.) He then fought James J. Corbett in the first heavyweight championship fight with big gloves under the Marquis of Queensbery rules and was beaten in 21 rounds. New Orleans, Sept 7, 1892.

T. EVANS (Station-rd., Port Talbot).

Q.—Who was the first fighter to win three world titles at one and the same times?

A.—Henry Armstrong. He won featherweight by k.o. Petey Sarron; the welterweight by outpointing Barney Ross; the lightweight by outpointing Lou Ambers.

A. E. SCOBLE (Isaacs-rd., Torquay).

Q.—Did Georges Carpentier k.o. Joe Beckett and where was the fight held? Did Jack Solomons ever win a title contest?

A.—Carpentier k.o. Beckett twice in first round. At Holborn Stadium, London, Dec. 4, 1919; Olympia, London, Oct. 1, 1923. No.

DEREK MARRIOT (Forge-st., Crewe).

Q.—What is Jess Willard's correct height?

A.—6ft 6¼".

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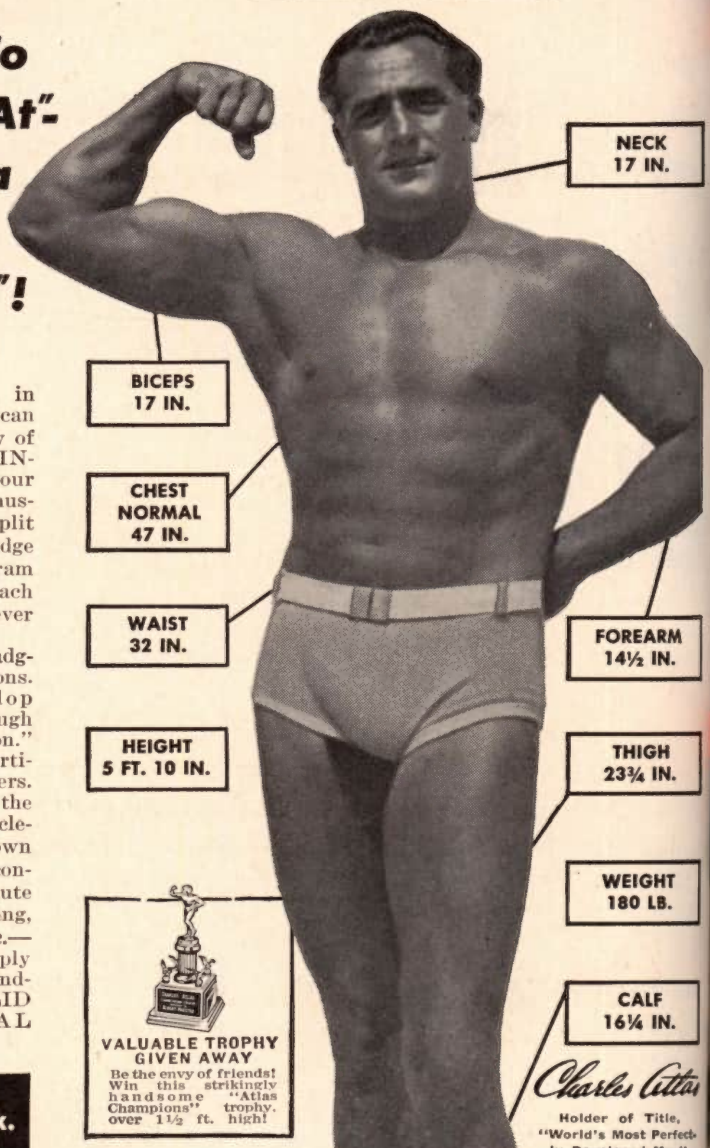

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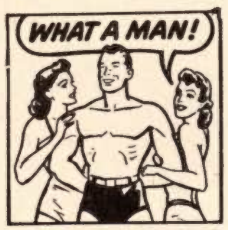

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